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Subject: QRP-L digest 2311

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- 20) [106881] Re: Rigs
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- 21) [106882] 30m ZK1QMA 0400
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by "Leon Heller" <leon_heller@hotmail.com>
- 32) [106893] Question about 1:1 balun at the feedpoint of nested dipoles.
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- 33) [106894] CLUB: WestFLA QRP Meeting this Saturday, 15 September 2001
by "Stephen D. Cohen" <scohen@tampabay.rr.com>
- 34) [106895] NETXQRP Club Meeting
by "Chuck Carpenter" <w5usj@globeco.net>
- 35) [106896] RE: QRP Afield
by "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>
- 36) [106897] Re: All with you
by "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>
- 37) [106898] Cancel tonight's Fox Hunt?
by Roger J Wendell <zeekzilch@juno.com>
- 38) [106899] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
by "Marty N5NW" <n5nw@onebox.com>
- 39) [106900] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
by "Rod Cerkoney, N0RC" <rod@n0rc.com>
- 40) [106901] Re: Cancel tonight's Fox Hunt?
by "Mark A. Andrews" <KE4IOF@KE4IOF.com>
- 41) [106902] Re: Cancel tonight's Fox Hunt?
by "Rod Cerkoney, N0RC" <rod@n0rc.com>
- 42) [106903] Re: Cancel tonight's Fox Hunt?
by "Ham" <k1vp@grizzly.com>
- 43) [106904] Re: Cancel tonight's Fox Hunt?

by "Tim A. King Jr." <iflyos@hotmail.com>
44) [106905] Re: Question about 1:1 balun at the feedpoint of nested dipoles.
by lhlousek <lhlousek@nvtbell.net>
45) [106906] This, from a Canadian newspaper, is worth sharing.
by IamSF5@aol.com
46) [106907] Tonight's Fox Hunt frequencies?
by "Wilford D. Lindsey" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>
47) [106908] Where are we at?
by "AI2Q Alex" <ai2q@adelphia.net>
48) [106909] Re: This, from a Canadian newspaper, is worth sharing.
by "Brian" <brian@iquest.net>
49) [106910] RE: Where are we at?
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50) [106911] Re: Balanced Line Losses
by lhlousek <lhlousek@nvtbell.net>
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by "Ken Simpson, W8EK" <W8EK@fdt.net>
52) [106913] RE: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
by <schoon@amgt.com>
53) [106914] Re: Where are we at?
by "Paul Christensen" <paulc@mediaone.net>
54) [106915] Low pass filter size
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55) [106916] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
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56) [106917] Foxhunts & other activities from here forward...
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57) [106918] World Trade Center Stations
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58) [106919] Re: Rigs [HF Emergency, somewhat OT]
by Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>
59) [106920] Here we go...
by "Rob Matherly" <kc0bom@arrl.net>
60) [106921] RE: HB: Audio Amp
by "Leon Heller" <leon_heller@hotmail.com>
61) [106922] Washington Salmon Run contest this weekend
by Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
62) [106923] St. Aidan's Drawing information
by "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>
63) [106924] Re: Rigs
by "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
64) [106925] WTB: CW Filter for IC-735
by "NZ8J" <timcook@erinet.com>
65) [106926] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
by "David Porter" <aa3ur@home.com>
66) [106927] QRP TTF
by "Steven Weber" <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
67) [106928]

- by "Delbert Long" <ad6we@hotmail.com>
- 68) [106929] Re: Rigs
by Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>
- 69) [106930] RE: Rigs & Emergency Communications
by "Kanalz, Karl" <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>
- 70) [106931] Day of Infamy - thoughts (long)
by "Mark Mohr" <themohrs@fuse.net>
- 71) [106932] My Brand new MFJ 945-E
by G Brandon Hoyt <preacher102677@juno.com>
- 72) [106933] Re: Rigs & Emergency Communications
by Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>
- 73) [106934] Terrorists Clogging the Internet!
by "Paul R. Valko" <prvalko@oakland.edu>
- 74) [106935] Re: Rigs
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
- 75) [106936] Re: Rigs
by "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
- 76) [106937] Re: Emtech QRP Tranceivers
by Donn Kuse <casey.jay@gte.net>
- 77) [106938] Re: Nostradamus questions
by "Ron Ochu" <rochu01@mail.win.org>
- 78) [106939] Re:
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
- 79) [106940] Re: Washington Salmon Run contest this weekend
by Charlie Panek <charlie_paneke@agilent.com>
- 80) [106941] An apology for my last posting
by John Harper AE5X <ae5x@qsl.net>
- 81) [106942] Re: Rigs
by "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
- 82) [106943] Re: Rigs & Emergency Communications
by "John Dorson" <JDORSON@worldshare.net>
- 83) [106944] Re: Rigs
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
- 84) [106945] Re: Balanced Line Losses
by Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>
- 85) [106946] [CONTEST] QRP Contest Calendar - Sep 15-30
by Ken Newman <N2CQ@citnet.com>
- 86) [106947] Re: Rigs [HF Emergency, somewhat OT]
by "Mark J. Dulcey" <mark@buttery.org>
- 87) [106948] Various comments about the events of Tuesday morning.
by mbdb@full-moon.com
- 88) [106949] Re: Balanced Line Losses
by Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>
- 89) [106950] Re:
by "Rob Matherly" <kc0bom@arrl.net>
- 90) [106951] Re: Balanced Line Losses
by lhlousek <lhlousek@nvhbell.net>
- 91) [106952] AT Va. Tomorrow

- by Daryl Cline <wb4yex@yahoo.com>
- 92) [106953] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
by "Lee S. Mairs" <lmairs@cox.rr.com>
- 93) [106954] visit
by "Wilford D. Lindsey" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>
- 94) [106955] RE: World Trade Center Stations
by <schoon@amgt.com>
- 95) [106956] Pixie 2 QRPp Transceiver
by "Brice D. Hornback" <bdh@cyberbound.net>
- 96) [106957] Re:
by "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>
- 97) [106958] Re:
by "Henry Freedenberg" <henryf@quartz.gly.fsu.edu>
- 98) [106959] Re: Rigs [HF Emergency, somewhat OT]
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
- 99) [106960] Re: Rigs
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
- 100) [106961] Re: An apology for my last posting
by "Richard Brummer, K2JQ" <k2jq@bestweb.net>
- 101) [106962] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
by "Richard Brummer, K2JQ" <k2jq@bestweb.net>

Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 19:39:38 -0400
From: "N3BJ" <qrpdx@earthlink.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106862] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
Message-ID: <009301c13be4\$30faa740\$f0c5323f@hppav>
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Correct. Cool minds prevail in time of crisis. Let's get the bad guys, not the neighborhood jerks...

Alan, N3BJ

----- Original Message -----

From: "Dave Sjolín" <sjolin@swbell.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2001 6:49 PM
Subject: Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ

> John Harper AE5X wrote:

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> > Last night while a lot of us were glued to the TV set watching, among
other
> > footage, the celebrations in Palestinian West Jerusalem, the
celebrations
> > were being mimicked right here in the USA. South Paterson & Elizebeth,
NJ
> > have large Arabic populations, some of whom gathered in the streets to
> > celebrate yesterday's disaster.
> >
> > Disgusting human garbage, aren't they.
>
> And in some areas we have "good ole boys" wearing white sheets and
> chaining others to the back of their pickup trucks. Evey neighborhood
> has its idiots. Lets not base our perceptions of an entire people on a
> few fools. And lets not lower ourselves to their level.
>
> 73 de Dave, N0IT

Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 19:54:03 -0400
From: John Harper AE5X <ae5x@qsl.net>
To: QRP-L <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106863] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
Message-ID: <000501c13be6\$339675e0\$835dbc18@johnharp>
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Henry Freedenberg:

>I dunno...I've spent my share of time in West Jerusalem and I dont
>recall seeing many Palestinians.

Damn, I guess they're all in NJ by now then.

John Harper AE5X
Outdoor QRP & Lowband DXing: <http://www.qsl.net/ae5x>

Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 17:57:57 -0600
From: "Marshall Emm" <mgemm@mtechnologies.com>

To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu, cqclist@yahoo.groups.com
Subject: [106864] Fox: Xtreme Fox Hunt tomorrow (Thursday)
Message-ID: <3B9FA225.3436.400C36D@localhost>
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Just a reminder, the wind-up bash for the Summer Fox Hunt will take place tomorrow night (Thursday in the US) at 0200Z. All of the summer foxes should be on, and the hunt will last for ONE HOUR ONLY. Last chance to grab a pelt before winter.

The foxes will operate somewhere between 14.030 and 14.070; there are no assigned frequencies and it's up to you to find them if you can.

The exchange is the usual-- RST, SPC, name, and power. Foxes may (or may not) post their logs, but there is no formal reporting or score keeping for this "pure fun" event.

Good luck, and see you on 20...

73 DE ET (Marshall), N1FN

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Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 18:15:33 -0600
From: "James R. Duffey" <jamesd1@flash.net>
To: qrp-1 <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>, <aa4lr@arrl.net>
Subject: [106865] Balanced Line Losses
Message-ID: <B7C556C5.D6E4%jamesd1@flash.net>
Mime-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
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Bill - A small point should be added to your comments on balanced feeders:

"For most installations, the feedline impedance of balanced line is not important. You rely on the low-loss characteristics of the feedline itself to not become too lossy when carrying other load impedances."

The attenuation of feedline, both coax and balanced feeders, varies inversely as a function of the feedline impedance. So, all other things being equal, 600 Ohm open wire feeders will have lower loss than 450 Ohm feedline, which will have lower loss than the 300 Ohm feed line. The difference will not be large in most amateur use though.

But, if you go down to 70 Ohm balanced feeders, there is no advantage over 70 Ohm coax. It is the high impedance of our commonly used balanced feeders that result in the low loss and the perceived advantage over coax, not simply the fact that they are balanced feeders. - Dr. Megacycle KK6MC/5

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James R. Duffey KK6MC/5
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Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 20:22:51 -0400
From: Pete Burbank <plburbank@kih.net>
To: ae5x@qsl.net,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106866] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
Message-ID: <5.0.2.1.0.20010912201740.00ad2c90@KIH.net>
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At 07:54 PM 9/12/2001 -0400, John Harper AE5X wrote:

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>John Harper AE5X

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Yah and some idiot broke the windows on a mosque in Lexington, KY. That's the kind of crap that keeps these conflicts going. The priest was dismayed as they were preparing to hold a memorial service

Pete NV4V

Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 19:57:13 -0500
From: Nick Kennedy <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106867] RE: Nostradamus' prediction on WW3
Message-ID: <01C13BC5.1DFCFE00.nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
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>Some interesting thoughts!!

To some perhaps. In my view, it's mainly interesting (and dismaying) that superstitions prevail and even grow stronger in the 21st century. Even wonder why all those psychics on TV and in the checkout lines didn't see something so dramatic coming?

But hey, I can do that Nostradamus stuff too. I predict:

There will be great floods, droughts, and earthquakes.
There will be periods of peace and great wars.
There will be tremendous man made disasters.
Great civilizations will rise and fall.
Unbelievable scientific discoveries will be made and amazing applications will come forth as a result.

Evil charismatic leaders will rise up, create great war machines and then be destroyed.

You heard it here first!

How's that? Too bland? Toss in a little Latin, a few magic numbers and some poetic pretensions and you'll be eating out of my hand in no time.

And that's not all you get ...

Like just a few other sensitive people, I can use the Bible to predict events that have already occurred. Try me! --gimme a Bible and I'll predict WW2, the Challenger disaster, yesterday's terrorist attack, plus the winner of last year's Super Bowl.

Sorry. I guess I'm being mean and I'm sure the original poster meant it in a lighthearted way. But the rise of dark ages type thinking in modern

times is a hot button for me.

So you can have Nostradamus. I'll take Stevie Wonder ...

When you believe in things you don't understand,
Then you suffer ...
Superstition ain't the way!

OK--got it out of my system and I'm ready to debate the merits of iron Vs ferrite cores in infinite detail again.

BTW--I did honestly make one prediction correctly. I remarked to my son yesterday, "It won't be long before some dimbulb is claiming that Nostradamus predicted this." And he replied, "They're already doing it -- on the Internet!"

73 & may your future, though unknowable, be bright.

Nick, WA5BDU
the last rational man

Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 20:49:52 -0400
From: "Ronald Hands" <ronald.hands@sympatico.ca>
To: <ae5x@qsl.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106868] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
Message-ID: <001601c13bee\$02efa6c0\$0164a8c0@p133>
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> footage, the celebrations in Palestinian West Jerusalem, the
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Did you personally witness this "celebration"? Did you hear about it
it from someone else? Was it reported anywhere? I can't, for
instance, find any mention of it in a quick search of the the New York
Times, and as a former newspaper man I would think it would have been
front page news.

Until I hear or see some credible evidence to the contrary, I'm
inclined to classify this as a hoax.

-- Ron VE3SP

Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 14:22:13 -0700
From: lhlousek <lhlousek@nvhbell.net>
To: jamesd1@flash.net,
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106869] Re: Balanced Line Losses
Message-ID: <02e301c13bd0\$fd719400\$650dfea9@nvhbell.net>
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Boy that sure doesn't sound right. I know I can get different types of 50 ohm
coax (RG8foam, RG8PE, RG58, RG174 etc.) that have widely varying losses so in
that case loss is not inverserly proportional to characteristic impedance.
How about comparing 300 ohm TV twin lead to RG8, or 12 gage 300 ohm open ladder
line to RG174? Although both may have an impedance ratio of 6:1 they will have
widely different loss ratios.

I guess it depends on what you mean by saying "all other things being equal".
How do you keep all things equal when comparing coax to ladder line?

Isn't the major reason that open ladder line had such a low loss was that it had no dielectric losses? With no dielectric the only loss should be IR losses which would depend on wire gauge. You can make 400 ohm open ladder line with any gauge and, hence any loss, you want.

Lou W7DZN

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 08:17:44 +0700
From: "bam yb0ko/1 SOETRISNO" <unclebam@indosat.net.id>
To: <qrpdx@earthlink.net>, "qrp-1" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106870] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
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yesss, i do agree with alan, n3bj and dave, n0it ... !

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bogor, 0I33oi, indonesia

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> From: "Dave Sjolin" <sjolin@swbell.net>

> To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

> Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2001 6:49 PM

> Subject: Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ

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Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 21:17:05 -0400
From: Haines Brown <brownh@hartford-hwp.com>
To: ea5xq@qsl.net
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [106871] Re: All with you
Message-ID: <200109130117.f8D1H5i04644@hartford-hwp.com>

> Just to transmit you my most deep condolences to the USA people for this
> abominable act of barbarism.
>
> You are not alone, all of us are with you.
>
> Juan

I'm getting a little tired of all this self-serving political
posturing. I hope it won't drag on too much longer.

I believe that originally the word "barbarian" referred to folks whose
language we find unintelligible, because of our ignorance, while
"civilized" referred to folks who played the game according to our
rules, which of course are the rules that ensure our continued
dominance.

Haines KB1GRM

Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 21:43:33 EDT
From: ARDUJENSKI@aol.com
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [106872] Article on ladder line losses
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Article on ladderline losses

http://www.vaxxine.com/phil/ladder_line.pdf

Alan KB7MBI in Woodinville, WA

Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 21:07:01 -0500
From: Nick Kennedy <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
To: "'brownh@hartford-hwp.com'" <brownh@hartford-hwp.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion (E-mail)" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106873] RE: All with you
Message-ID: <01C13BCE.DE99AEC0.nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
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From: "DTX" <dtx@wood.tzo.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106874] Re: All with you
Message-ID: <00b101c13bf8\$6d3b1000\$0c00a8c0@home>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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charset="iso-8859-1"
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Hard telling, Haines. That's what is missing in written/e-mail
communications. No sense of intent, honesty, sincerity. Can't hear any
tonal inflections or see any body language to clue in on. So I'd suggest
just let it flow on by and chalk most of it up to a feeling of impotence.
After all, what can they say? Or you or I, for that matter, that will make
any difference? To paraphrase Lincoln after Gettysburg, nothing we say or
do will add or detract from the event. Can't make it better, worse or go
away.

Gary, WA6DTX

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Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 21:10:10 -0500
From: "Gary Lee Phillips" <ka9nzi@arrl.net>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [106875] Re: jingoism
Message-ID: <200109130210.WAA23376@mclean.mail.mindspring.net>

> Lets not base our perceptions of an entire people on a
> few fools. And lets not lower ourselves to their level.
>
> 73 de Dave, N0IT
>

Thanks, Dave. Here in Chicago the mosques were filled with
Muslims praying right along with the Christians for an end to this
kind of insane and pointless violence. Let's not forget that we have
had a lot of equally pointless and despicable terrorism perpetrated
in the US by our own, nominally Christian, citizens: doctors
murdered, family planning offices and clinics bombed, etc. What
about Oklahoma City? The Unabomber? As always, it is easier to

look for quick revenge and an easy stereotype than it is to try to understand the underlying problems and find a solution.

-- Gary Phillips, Marengo, IL <mailto:ka9nzi@arrl.net>
KA9NZI, Seneca Twp., McHenry Co., IL Grid: EN52rg
QRP-L #2124 <http://www.qsl.net/ka9nzi/>

Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 22:19:40 -0400
From: "Kevin M." <adverseyaw@twmi.rr.com>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106876] Re: All with you
Message-ID: <001f01c13bfa\$8b87a530\$1a751d41@magnus>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Hear, hear!

----- Original Message -----

From: "Nick Kennedy" <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
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Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2001 10:07 PM
Subject: RE: All with you

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From: "Alan Slusher" <aslusher@sunbeach.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106877] Re: OT: Info on Pacemaker
Message-ID: <00a901c13bf3\$442bd6e0\$dac103c4@oemcomputer>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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I would like to thank publicly the hams who responded in standard fashion for this list (translation: the response was not merely great, but tremendous) to my request for info on possible ham radio impact on cardiac pacemakers.

Pat (8P6AZ) is really grateful for the response, and is looking forward to continuing his QRP activities after the item is installed.

Thanks, guys. This list is one of the most valuable things I have ever had access to.

Alan 8P9BM

----- Original Message -----

From: Alan Slusher <aslusher@sunbeach.net>

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2001 8:29 PM

Subject: OT: Info on Pacemaker

> Please forgive this off-topic item.

>

> A ham friend of mine (60+ years) here in Barbados is getting a cardiac
> pacemaker installed at the end of the month. He asked his doctor whether
> his ham radio activities are likely to cause problems, but his doctor is
> completely unaware of hamming. Would be grateful if anyone knows of any
> experiences either way. By the way, this guy is a recent (18 months) CW
QRP

> convert, after running SSB 100w (and an amplifier from time to time) for
> years. His big decision these days is whether to turn on the K2 or the
K1.

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> Thanks for any comments.

>

> Alan 8P9BM

> Bridgetown, Barbados

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Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 20:37:20 -0600

From: "James R. Duffey" <jamesd1@flash.net>

To: lhlousek <lhlousek@nvbell.net>, qrp-l <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [106878] Re: Balanced Line Losses

Message-ID: <B7C57800.D6F5%jamesd1@flash.net>

Mime-version: 1.0

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Lou - Thanks for the coomments on my post.

Yes "All other things being equal" does take in a lot of territory. Sorry for the electro-political comment. What I meant was conductor size is the same (single side of the balanced feeder and center conductor of the coax) and made of hte same material, say copper, and the coax dielectric is the same (say polyethylene) as the spreader dielectric in balanced feeder, or a= t least not super lossy like vinyl.

The main losses in feedlines at HF are Ohmic losses. For good dielectrics, like polyethylene, and Teflon=81 the losses are primarily dielectric. Most of the different types of coax you list, RG8(PE and foam), RG-58, and RG-174 have very different losses because they have different diameter center conductors which drives the Ohmic losses. On the other hand if I compare RG-8 and RG-8Foam which have identical center conductors, the loss difference at HF, say 7 MHz, is less than 0.2 dB which is small. On the other h and, the difference between RG-8 and RG-58, both polyethylene dielectrics, but with different sized conductors the difference in loss is 0.7 dB or so, which is quite a bit higher.

Again at HF, the dielectric losses are low in both balanced feeders and coax, particularly with a good dielectric, compared to the Ohmic losses. I don't have the equation handy, but I can dig it up if you are interested. M=y daughter wants the computer now. :^)

The big reason that the balanced feeders Hams use have low lossis that they are high impedance. Coax with the same impedance would have similar low losses, but calculate the size of 450 Ohm coax! You might also want to look at the loss of 1 1/4 inch hardline at 7 MHz compared to window line.

I hope that this is useful. Let me know if you have any further questions.

- Dr. Megacycle KK6MC/5

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James R. Duffey KK6MC/5

30 Casa Loma Road

Cedar Crest, NM 87008

Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 21:37:55 -0500

From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>

To: lhlousek@nvhbell.net
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106879] Re: Balanced Line Losses
Message-ID: <3BA01C03.4D33308D@att.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Lou, Jim's point is that the higher the Z_0 , the lower the line current for a given power level, hence the lower the $I^2 \cdot R$ loss. At HF, these losses prevail over dielectric loss in most cases.

72/73, George W5YR - the Yellow Rose of Texas QRP-L 1373 NETXQRP 6
Fairview, TX 30 mi NE of Dallas in Collin county EM13qe SOC 262
Amateur Radio W5YR, in the 56th year and it just keeps getting better!
Icom IC-756PRO #02121 Kachina #91900556 IC-765 #02437

lhlousek wrote:

> Isn't the major reason that open ladder line had such a low loss was that it had
> no dielectric losses? With no dielectric the only loss should be IR losses
> which would depend on wire gauge.

Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 23:48:14 EDT
From: DYARNES@aol.com
To: brownh@hartford-hwp.com, qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [106880] Re: All with you
Message-ID: <5b.1b9c1a61.28d1867e@aol.com>
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Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 20:53:14 -0400
From: "Walt Amos" <k8cv@netzero.net>
To: <myetsko@insydesw.com>
Cc: "List Qrp-l" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106881] Re: Rigs
Message-ID: <001001c13c01\$455de5e0\$595af4d1@NetZeroUser>
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My god, have you forgotten the Doug Hendricks recommended rig of the year
..... the ICOM 706 MARK III D ??

Does everything a K-2 or 817 will and then some (like 100 watts) !! Hey,
you can carry a car battery in your back pack :-)

What's a little ACID among friends he he

Walt K8CV Royal Oak, MI

----- Original Message -----

From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2001 11:10 AM
Subject: Re: Rigs

> First, really define how you'd use the radio and what you need.
>
> It really comes down to two radios, in my mind.
>
> The K2 and the FT-817.
>
> If you want a 'transportable HF' rig to take in and set up, then the K2
> is going to be the standout.
>
> However, if you want a rig that is easy to use WHILE you are on the
> move, then the 817 is the way to go.
>
> You'll sacrifice some HF performance if you choose the 817, but it's
> by no means bad, it's just not the standout the K2 is. You'll also
> more than likely sacrifice some battery life. But, if you'll have at
> least some partial recharge capability, then that may not be as big
> an issue as it appears.
>
> If you want coverage BEYOND HF, such as FM VHF, then the 817
> is the choice, unless you're willing to carry another rig (like an HT)
> for that. However, in an emergency situation, you probably don't want
> to have a 'single rig' do all at a 'set up' site.
>
> Bottom line, to me, is the use. The 817 offers acceptable performance
> for HF and a lot of VHF/UHF that you won't have in a consolidated
> rig with the K2. It's also usable 'on the go'. On the other hand, if
> you
> are looking at the rig to 'set up' and use on HF somewhere, then a
> K2 with internal battery and ATU is probably the ultimate.
>
> Mike
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Tim A. King Jr. <iflyos@hotmail.com>
>
>
> > In light of the recent happenings, several of the local hams and
> myself have
> > been discussing our emergency preparedness setups. Of course these
> include
> > 2m/440 equipment, antennas, batteries, etc. What we were wondering
> about is
> > HF gear. As we are all (those of us having the discussion) fairly new
> hams,
> > we could only theorize about what would make good choices.
> >
> > Antennas were simple, dipoles cut for the band of interest being the

> agreeded
> > upon way to go. Power supply is simple as well, batteries and solar
> cells
> > for charging.
> >
> > What we couldn't decide on were rigs. Does anyone have suggestions in
> this
> > area? While my 930 is a great rig, and another one of the guys has an
> Icom
> > 761, these are not exactly the throw it in a bag and run kinda radio.
> All
> > suggestions are appreciated. Power consumption is important, size
> matters
> > but can be worked with. Durabilty and simplicity would be primary.
> >
> > Thanks in advance,
> > Tim A. King, Jr.
> > KG4MQD
> > Safety Officer, Hobby Park R/C Aircraft Club
> > Winston Salem, NC
> > AMA# 578668
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From: "Adrian Weiss" <aweiss@usd.edu>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [106882] 30m ZK1QMA 0400
Message-ID: <GJL2CB02.U2G@mail.usd.edu>
Mime-Version: 1.0
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Hi gang:

Odd coincidence. I was checking out the OP DX bulletin for
DXpeditions and ZK1QMA came up on 10.106.5. He worked one guy
and then I caught his call and gave him a quickie -- easy
QSO! THENnnnn it started.. he's working up 1 now.

Turned back to OP DX and paged down and there ZK1QMA was listed on N. Cook! "Work First Ask Later"!

At any rate, finally broke out of the 150's -- this makes #160 with 147 QSL'd.

Check it out!

72, Ade

Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 21:25:41 -0700
From: "Trevor Jacobs" <fxtech@earthlink.net>
To: <DYARNES@aol.com>,
 "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>,
Subject: [106883] Re: All with you
Message-ID: <003101c13c0c\$26f5c680\$ade2b3d1@tjacobs>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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I have to say that I agree with Dave, especially looking at your web site:
<http://www.hartford-hwp.com/index.html>. You state that the purpose of your
company is (and I quote):

promote social progress
serve the people of Hartford
support education

Well my friend, the attitude that you project in the e-mail to the group
shows none of this. How could you be so insensitive at a time like this!
Many people on this list were either directly effected by the attack or have
friends and family that were!

If it never happens again, this is one time that this list should show a
little compassion and understanding of world events. This is one of the most
tragic days in our history and I pray that we get the responsible parties
without this escalating into full global conflict.

Hope that you are all safe and sound tonight!

72/73

Trev

KG6CYN

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Subject: [106884] Re: All with you
Message-ID: <004201c13c0d\$b5386d20\$ade2b3d1@tjacobs>
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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 00:38:07 -0400 (EDT)
From: "Scott Rosenfeld [N7JI]" <ham@w3eax.umd.edu>
To: qrp-1 <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106885] Ob QRP and commentary
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.30.0109130028540.13082-1000000@w3eax.umd.edu>

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Had a 20m sked with a friend in Baltimore this evening. 50w SSB got me a nice "just above the noise" report. We went to CW briefly and I started at 50w and worked down, 5-4-3-2-1-0, each time dropping 10 watts (the final time stopping at 3w instead of nil).

He heard me all the way down to 3 watts, not bad for 3k miles from the car.

As for the celebrations by ignorant people at the eve of a terrorist act (pictures of young Palestinians waving flags in the streets in refugee camps in Lebanon, men firing rifles into the air) remember that in places in the US, lynchings used to be held in public places, and in many cases it wasn't even proven that anyone was actually guilty of anything...

...except those doing the lynching...

Stupidity and the ability to act stupidly know no demographic boundaries.

Hey, I'm having a Nils moment...

HuMan nature is still good, but HuNan chicken is ABSOLUTELY GREAT. Boy, do I miss east coast Chinese food.

Those of you who don't know Nils should read his collected works :)

--

Scott Rosenfeld ARS N7JI
541-684-9970 Eugene, OR Land o' much rain
If you find me on the air, I'm probably in my car
ham@w3eax.umd.edu <http://w3eax.umd.edu/~ham>

Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 23:56:27 -0500
From: "Rob Matherly" <kc0bom@arrl.net>
To: <fxtech@earthlink.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106886] Re: All with you
Message-ID: <001701c13c10\$7543b780\$6811a541@intern01>
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I'm not advocating violence against anyone, but the phrase "Better Dead than Red" springs to mind.

Damn communists...

72/73

Rob, kc0bom

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 05:30:17
From: "Brad Hernlem" <alihernlem@hotmail.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [106887] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
Message-ID: <F236bJDz63B93BDestB000109e0@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

You may find the following instructive:

<http://www.cair-net.org/>

http://iic.org/press_release/pr_terror.html

The people that committed these attacks represent hate and nothing and no one else.

Brad

From: John Harper AE5X (ae5x@qsl.net)

>Last night while a lot of us were glued to the TV set watching, among other
>footage, the celebrations in Palestinian West Jerusalem, the celebrations
>were being mimicked right here in the USA. South Paterson & Elizebeth, NJ
>have large Arabic populations, some of whom gathered in the streets to
>celebrate yesterday's disaster.

>Disgusting human garbage, aren't they.

>John Harper AE5X

>Outdoor QRP & Lowband DXing: <http://www.qsl.net/ae5x>

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Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 22:49:18 -0700 (PDT)
From: Bob Patten <n4bp@yahoo.com>
To: QRP-L Reflector <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106888] QRP Afield

Message-ID: <20010913054918.16017.qmail@web14310.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

First, I work for WPLG-TV in Miami. In that capacity, as well as at home, I've been watching many hours per day of news coverage on the tragic events. Perhaps I'm over sensitized by this, but I find it extremely dismaying to see the current bickering on this reflector. I unsubscribed for a period of weeks because of another conflict a while back and then sign back up for this! Please, don't we have enough to deal with without this?

QRP Afield, anyone else participating this weekend? I'll be heading for the FL Keys with a new camper for a Field Day style operation. Curious how others are managing their operating time with the rather unusual rules? My thought is to operate three "two hours on / two hours off" periods to put in the first six hours, and then use the final two hours on Sunday morning, perhaps around 10AM EDST (1400Z). Does anyone plan to operate any SSB? I found my mic, but don't know the QRP SSB freqs, maybe someone can fill me in?

Finally, I'll be using NA for logging. I've worked out a template (.CRT) file that works well - allows me to input all of the exchange in the correct order and scores the event properly. If anyone else is using NA and would like to try it, I'd be glad to send it as a file attachment. Hope to see many of you this weekend.

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73, Bob Patten, N4BP Plantation, FL

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 00:13:27 -0700
From: "Roger A. McCarty" <rmccarty@earthlink.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106889] May I suggest (U.S. Amateurs)
Message-ID: <NEBBJCAPOLCDGKDKJPGLKEBPCLAA.rmccarty@earthlink.net>

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

As a gesture of our Solidarity, that all of us purchase an American Flag for mounting to an automobile antenna. They can be purchased in single lots for as little as .50 ea.

I personally would like to see every automobile in the Country flying the flag.

I have purchased a Gross to give away, and have written to local businesses suggesting they give them away as well. Perhaps others on this list will see fit to do the same.

In a short search on the web, I found this site;

<http://www.anyflag.com/american/indoor.htm#1>

I am in no way affiliated with this company or any Flag company.

Roger KD6CC

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 02:54:29 -0500
From: james-rhonda@juno.com
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [106890] HB: Audio Amp
Message-ID: <20010913.025431.-847129.16.james-rhonda@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Somebody must of read my mind. I hope everyone renewed for the NJ QRP Homebrewer because this is a great issue. One of the projects was the K8IQY "islander" Audio Amp. I was in need of practice with my Manhattan-style building while waiting for parts to start the 2n2/40 group build. I also have been wanting to get an amplified speaker for my SW40+ for when I did not want to wear headphones. This Amp was just what I needed and I found that I had all the parts in my very small (but growing) junkbox. I have built several small projects using pads and superglue and each time I try to make it look better. I did do a nice job on the amp but can still see where I could improve, anyway it worked very well but my small 2-1\4" speaker just laid on the desk driving sound straight up and the thought of putting this project in an enclosure was

as they say "no way can do." I decided to place my small speaker directly over the audio transformer held in place with two supports 1-1\8" wide and 1-7\8" tall made from copper clad board and soldered to the base. Starting at the top front corner and measuring back about 3/4 of an inch and placing a small mark then from the same front corner measure down 3/4 of an inch and make a mark. This will give you a 45 degree angle when with tin snips you make a cut from mark to mark. I used Epoxy to glue the small speakers metal frame to the copper clad on this angle. Now the speaker points toward my face when resting on my desk. I like to take my radios out in the backyard when the Texas heat will let me, so that meant I needed to add a 9V battery clip to the base rather than having it dangle around the side, so I made my base long enough to place the clip at the front of the project I liked this project so well that I placed an order for the new kit and pad cutter. This will give me a chance to try another method of Manhattan by cutting a small circle (with middle remaining) out of the layer of copper leaving a small pad level with the main board so that you can use surface mount components.

I want to say Thanks! to Jim Kortge, Paul Harden for his Great Artwork, and George Heron and the NJ QRP CLUB.

Now I need to try building one of the many more projects that are in this issue.

James Wayne Rue
KC5HAC
Henrietta, Texas

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 09:31:58 +0100

From: "Steve Farthing" <stephen@stevef.demon.co.uk>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [106891] History of QRP in England - does anyone have a copy

Message-ID: <MABBLGJEEFHCJIEHNCOFAEFICGAA.stephen@stevef.demon.co.uk>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="Windows-1252"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ladies and gentlemen,

I am reading a "History of QRP in the USA" by Ade Weiss. On the back cover it refers to an upcoming publication of a "History of QRP in England" due to

be published in the late 1980s. I wonder if anyone has a copy I could buy or borrow?

73 de Steve G0XAR

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 09:36:27 +0000
From: "Leon Heller" <leon_heller@hotmail.com>
To: james-rhonda@juno.com, qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [106892] Re: HB: Audio Amp
Message-ID: <F1650QzIDG3yIgARyKz0000eb82@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

I decided to place my small speaker
>directly over the audio transformer held in place with two supports
>1-1\8" wide and 1-7\8" tall made from copper clad board and soldered to
>the base.

You'll get a lot more volume and better sound quality by putting the speaker in an enclosure. With it mounted like you describe the sound waves from the back and front tend to cancel each other.

73, Leon

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 11:30:04 +0100
From: "Steve Farthing" <stephen@stevef.demon.co.uk>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106893] Question about 1:1 balun at the feedpoint of nested dipoles.
Message-ID: <MABBLGJEEFHCJIEHNCOFCEFJCGAA.stephen@stevef.demon.co.uk>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ladies and Gentlemen.

I am going to erect a set of nested dipoles for the 14,18,21,24, 28 and 29 Mhz bands at my QTH. As I only operate QRP I need to ensure that the antenna is as efficient as it can be. It will be about 1/2 wavelength high at 20 meters. I'll feed it with 50 ohm co-axial cable and prune each dipole to resonance.

I have looked through the literature and the jury still seems to be out so I am looking for your advice. My ARRL handbook says it is not worth the bother. Other references say it is essential. So, do I need the balun? If I do can anyone point me to a verified working design. Has anyone used the design in W2FMI's book? (10 bifilar turns on a 1.25 OD ferrite toroid with a permeability of 40) Alas all I have are some FT37-43 and FT37-61 toroids which are much smaller and I do not know what their permeability is.

If I construct the balun how do I test the performance before putting it into use? I can lay my hands on an MFJ Antenna Analyser. On air tests would be a real pain as raising and lowering the dipoles will be difficult.

Thanks for your help

Steve G0XAR

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 06:52:50 -0400
From: "Stephen D. Cohen" <scohen@tampabay.rr.com>
To: "QRP-L Mailing List" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>,
"Jim Huhta" <aa4md@amsat.org>, "Jim Gerhart" <kd4rml@gte.net>,
Subject: [106894] CLUB: WestFLA QRP Meeting this Saturday, 15 September 2001
Message-ID: <NDBBJALMDCJHFFPJMMFKKELPGCAA.scohen@tampabay.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The next meeting of the Western Florida QRP Club (WestFLA) will be held this Saturday, the 15th of September at the Tampa Amateur Radio Club (TARC) clubhouse in Tampa, FLA. The meeting will begin about 10 AM local time (1400 UTC) and will end when everybody has had enough.

The meetings are run on the NorCal structure, or put another way, without structure. Folks just turn up and show off their projects, or put them on the air (The TARC clubhouse has a BIG KLH tri-bander and a GAP Vertical) or lie about the DX that got away or show off pictures of the grand-kids or get help with a kit or aligning a radio or whatever. Someone will bring donuts and coffee will be provided (somehow). The TARC facility is nice this way, as they have a full kitchen.

For directions to the TARC clubhouse, simply have a look at:

<http://www.qsl.net/westfla>

You will find a link there to the TARC web page and directions to the clubhouse. The web page also has some pictures from our first meeting, if you would like to get a feel for how they run. If you are interested in attending and you are web challenged, just drop us a line at westfla@qsl.net and we will e-mail directions your way.

I will bring a signal generator, counter and oscilloscope, so if you need help aligning a recent project or debugging something, we will have the correct tools. I can probably even be of some help myself, though I suspect that Mike Maiorana will be more helpful in most debugging ventures. Either way, we can provide some help.

Since I have finally provided Mac with his Direct Digital Synthesis kit from my friends in NJ, perhaps Mac and I will get started with it this Saturday. This kit produces any frequency from about .1 Hz on up to 60MHz with ease. It contains some cuts and jumpers and some surface mount parts, so maybe Mac and I will get started on putting it together. Mac?

In addition, I will continue to help Mac with his NoGA PIG rig. Of course, DXing with the club big hootie tri-bander and your QRP rig is always a treat. Last month I worked Jakarta, Indonesia on 15M SSB with my K2 at 5W. Bring your rig along and hook it to the BIG KLM tri-bander and see what **you** can work.

This Saturday we will also have a very special door-prize: One of the Ft. Smith QRP Group Iambic Paddle/TiCK Keyer Kit. See it on the NorCal web page. <http://www.fix.net/~jparkernorcal.html> (NOTE: Door prize subject to minimum attendance at the sole discretion of whoever)

Now you know what **I'm** going to bring, what are you going to bring? Well, enough blathering, it's time to get this message out to the world. Hope to see you on Saturday.

Steve, NF4X

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 06:01:28 -0500
From: "Chuck Carpenter" <w5usj@globeco.net>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU, George Baker <w5yr@att.net>, Lew Paceley <lew@paceley.com>,
Subject: [106895] NETXQRP Club Meeting
Message-ID: <3.0.2.32.20010913060128.00816c20@mail.globeco.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

QRPLers,

The next meeting of the NETXQRP Club will be held this coming Saturday.
Interested folks are invited to attend.

Saturday
September 15, 2001
1:00 to 3:00 PM (or so)

John Y Miguel's Cafe (Tex/Mex & 'merican)
104 State Highway 205
Terrell, TX
Phone: (972) 524-1447

Directions:
Miguel's is on the west side of Terrell. It is on 205 north, near the intersection of I-80, 205, and 148. 205 goes north from I-80 toward Rockwall and 148 goes south back across I-20. Go north on 205 about 1/4 mile and it's on the right. Big place, hard to miss. It's just past a Kuick Kar lube-and-tune place and across the road is a Walmart plaza.

If you have a favorite QRP something you'd like to bring along, please do. Weather permitting we may try some portable operation either behind the restaurant or at a local park in Terrell. Come join the fun!

For more NETXQRP Club info check our website: <http://www.netxqrp.org/>

Chuck Carpenter, W5USJ, Point, Rains Co., TX - EM22cv, NETXQRP #1
QRP-ARCI #5422, QRP-L #1306, SOC #57, Six Club #201, SMIRK #6275
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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 08:53:56 -0400 (EDT)
From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>
To: Bob Patten <n4bp@yahoo.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106896] RE: QRP Afield
Message-ID: <XFMail.20010913085356.w2agn@pobox.com>
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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MIME-Version: 1.0

Still planning to operate as W3IYQ from Brandywine Creek Park in Delaware. Unfortunately, my time is managed, as the park closes at 7:30PM so I will have to QRT about 7PM to take down antennas, etc. That will only give me 6 hours of time. Too far to go (about 1 hour drive) to make going back for 2 hours on Sunday worthwhile.

John W2AGN

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> be heading for the FL Keys with a new camper for a Field
> Day style operation. Curious how others are managing their
> operating time with the rather unusual rules?

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 09:00:26 -0400 (EDT)
From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>
To: Haines Brown <brownh@hartford-hwp.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106897] Re: All with you
Message-ID: <XFMail.20010913090026.w2agn@pobox.com>
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
MIME-Version: 1.0

Let's start by ignoring this jerk! I mean, never respond to his emails, answer his CQs, or respond to his calls on radio, or whatever! I can't believe, in the wake of what has happened, anyone could be such a complete, unfeeling, obnoxious asshhole! (Sorry, but there is no other word!).

Haines, take your dictionary, shove it up where the sun doesn't shine, and unsubscribe!

John W2AGN (holding back how I REALLY feel!)

On 13-Sep-2001 Haines Brown wrote:

> I'm getting a little tired of all this self-serving political
> posturing. I hope it won't drag on too much longer.

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> I believe that originally the word "barbarian" referred to folks whose
> language we find unintelligible, because of our ignorance, while
> "civilized" referred to folks who played the game according to our
> rules, which of course are the rules that ensure our continued
> dominance.

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> Haines KB1GRM

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 07:43:28 -0600

From: Roger J Wendell <zeekzilch@juno.com>

To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU

Subject: [106898] Cancel tonight's Fox Hunt?

Message-ID: <20010913.074330.-491671.2.zeekzilch@juno.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0

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Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I would recommend we cancel this evening's Fox Hunt.

WBOJNR

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 09:16:59 -0400

From: "Marty N5NW" <n5nw@onebox.com>

To: "QRP" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [106899] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
Message-ID: <HKEIKBMFOAJDNCCMGNEBKECMCCAA.n5nw@onebox.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

There have already been vandalism here in Dayton toward Americans of Arab descent. I would remind everyone that not all Arabs are Muslim (about 30% are Christian), and of the Muslim total, only a small percentage are militant extremists. We need to remember -- this is not a political war. It is a religious war, in the view of the Taliban and other Muslim sects. It's not against countries (although it may end up being against countries), it is against religious fanatics. As someone pointed out to me some time back, they could care less about our reaction. They are doing this for their God, not us.

We have our own extremists. Be they people who drag African-Americans to death tied to the back of a pickup truck, or engage in gun battles with the United States Government from compounds in Montana. We first thought the bomb in OKC was Arabic in origin. Man, were we ever wrong.

That having been said, anyone celebrating death (in my humble opinion) is despicable.

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73 de N5NW/8
Marty
Dayton, Ohio

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 07:33:21 -0600
From: "Rod Cerkoney, N0RC" <rod@n0rc.com>
To: <alihernlem@hotmail.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106900] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
Message-ID: <004e01c13c58\$a855abe0\$6401a8c0@c919125b>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
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No Doubt there are many fine Muslims, Mohammed Ali comes to mind. I had the pleasure to meet the man, and his family a number of years ago.

But, in my mind, those who celebrate the attack are no better than those who committed the act. Yes it's a free country and they have the right to do so, as I and others have the right to express our disgust about their behavior. Let's be careful where, how and to whom we focus our anger.

73, Rod NØRC
Ft Collins, CO

----- Original Message -----

From: "Brad Hernlem" <alihernlem@hotmail.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2001 5:30 AM
Subject: Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ

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> >Disgusting human garbage, aren't they.
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> >John Harper AE5X
> >Outdoor QRP & Lowband DXing: <http://www.qsl.net/ae5x>
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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 08:36:31 -0500
From: "Mark A. Andrews" <KE4IOF@KE4IOF.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106901] Re: Cancel tonight's Fox Hunt?
Message-ID: <005401c13c59\$1e530e00\$bced4cd8@carrera>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I recommend that tonight's fox hunt NOT be canceled.

I'm going to put in my two cents. If we change our way of life, then the terrorists have accomplished their goals. We MUST go on. Don't change just because of these bastards. Go about your business. Don't stop your routine. In fact, do more. If we tuck our tails between our legs and cower, then we are already defeated.

Now, I know you recommended canceling out of respect for the people whom were directly attacked. I can appreciate that. We all can. However, I think the most respectful thing to do is to keep on with our way of life and let these cowards know that we can't be intimidated.

73,
Mark

Mark A. Andrews, KE4IOF
QRP-L 146 QRP-ARCI 10574
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----- Original Message -----
From: "Roger J Wendell" <zeekzilch@juno.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2001 8:43 AM
Subject: Cancel tonight's Fox Hunt?

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 07:42:09 -0600
From: "Rod Cercone, N0RC" <rod@n0rc.com>
To: <zeekzilch@juno.com>,
 "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106902] Re: Cancel tonight's Fox Hunt?
Message-ID: <008b01c13c59\$e3649420\$6401a8c0@c919125b>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I think it important to return to normal activities as soon as possible. To do otherwise plays into the hands of terrorist intent.

73, Rod N0RC
Ft Collins, CO

----- Original Message -----

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To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 09:50:03 -0400
From: "Ham" <k1vp@grizzly.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106903] Re: Cancel tonight's Fox Hunt?
Message-ID: <002f01c13c5a\$fdd4f600\$0e01a8c0@office.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
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From: Roger J Wendell <zeekzilch@juno.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2001 9:43 AM
Subject: Cancel tonight's Fox Hunt?

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> I would recommend we cancel this evening's Fox Hunt.

I would recommend we not cancel this evening's Fox Hunt.

If, as everyone is saying, we are now engaged in a long, protracted war,
then
we need to get used to going about our routine activities regardless of
events.

I believe we do not dishonor the casualties nor diminish the loss by
engaging in an operating event for one hour two days after the attack.

Those who have had the experience of dealing with casualties and war will, I think, understand this view. It is seemingly harsh, but there it is. The very last thing I want to think about, let alone do, is living with that attitude again, but it seems we are headed there.

Ed Lawson
K1VP

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 09:55:13 -0400
From: "Tim A. King Jr." <iflyos@hotmail.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [106904] Re: Cancel tonight's Fox Hunt?
Message-ID: <F26525UE9chbN2tEwLq00010e1c@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

Guys,
Would someone post the frequencies of the Foxhunt? Just in case it goes on, I would like to listen in.....

Tim A. King, Jr.
KG4MQD
Safety Officer, Hobby Park R/C Aircraft Club
Winston Salem, NC
AMA# 578668

-----Original Message Follows-----
From: "Ham" <k1vp@grizzly.com>
Reply-To: k1vp@grizzly.com
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: Re: Cancel tonight's Fox Hunt?
Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 09:50:03 -0400

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To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2001 9:43 AM
Subject: Cancel tonight's Fox Hunt?

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If, as everyone is saying, we are now engaged in a long, protracted war, then we need to get used to going about our routine activities regardless of events.

I believe we do not dishonor the casualties nor diminish the loss by engaging in an operating event for one hour two days after the attack.

Those who have had the experience of dealing with casualties and war will, I think, understand this view. It is seemingly harsh, but there it is. The very last thing I want to think about, let alone do, is living with that attitude again, but it seems we are headed there.

Ed Lawson
K1VP

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 03:20:21 -0700
From: lhlousek <lhlousek@nvgbell.net>
To: stephen@stevef.demon.co.uk,
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106905] Re: Question about 1:1 balun at the feedpoint of nested dipoles.
Message-ID: <001801c13c3d\$b1c90f20\$650dfea9@nvgbell.net>
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<<<I am going to erect a set of nested dipoles for the 14,18,21,24, 28 and 29 MHz bands>>>

Wow. That's a lot of dipoles pretty closely spaced in frequency. My guess is they will interact so tuning could get dicey. The usual advice is to start with the longest one and work you way toward the shorter ones. I have the classic 40/20/10 meter combo and successfully operate QRP on 40,30,20,17,15,12 and 10 using a tuner. SWR gets kind of high on 30, 17 and 12 but I use RG8 and the worst calculated loss on 12 meters and is under 2 dB .

>From what I understand, baluns make everything nice and tidy engineering wise

but have little practical effect in feeding resonant dipoles, particularly if the feedline run is at right angle to the dipole. You might use simple coiled coax choke balun or bead balun if it makes you feel better. I have a bead balun and it makes me feel better except for not being able to end feed my coax and antenna on 80m. I'm planning on taking it off next time I work on the antenna and see what happens.

Lou W7DZN

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 10:18:18 EDT
From: IamSF5@aol.com
To: qrp-L@lehigh.edu
Subject: [106906] This, from a Canadian newspaper, is worth sharing.
Message-ID: <be.1a9ba811.28d21a2a@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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You talk about Japanese technocracy, and you get radios.

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You talk about American technocracy, and you find men on the moon - not once, but several times - and safely home again.

You talk about scandals, and the Americans put theirs right in the store window for everybody to look at.

Even their draft-dodgers are not pursued and hounded. They are here on our streets, and most of them, unless they are breaking Canadian laws, are getting American dollars from ma and pa at home to spend here.

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Stand proud, America!

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 10:49:57 -0400
From: "Wilford D. Lindsey" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>
To: "INTERNET:iflyos@hotmail.com" <iflyos@hotmail.com>,
".QRP-L Discussion Group" <QRP-L@Lehigh.edu>
Cc: Marshall Emm <mgemm@mtechnologies.com>,
")W.D.(Doc)Lindsey/K0EVZ" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>,
Subject: [106907] Tonight's Fox Hunt frequencies?
Message-ID: <200109131050_MC3-DF95-EF8D@compuserve.com>
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Tim:

Frequencies will be anywhere between 14.030 and 14.070, with no assigned frequencies--ie, FOXes pick their own frequencies. We are recommending that they stay at least 2 kHz apart to allow space between pileups.

73,
--Doc/K0EVZ

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 11:00:39 -0400
From: "AI2Q Alex" <ai2q@adelphia.net>
To: "QRP-L (E-mail)" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Cc: <n5nw@onebox.com>
Subject: [106908] Where are we at?
Message-ID: <000701c13c64\$daa92980\$6401a8c0@alex>
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Hi Marty:

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More to the point, informed people have been predicting this type of terrorist event for a long, long time.

For example: our former president chose not to frighten the public and risk his own re-election hide when a 3-year federal study pointed out that a

2-lb. bag of anthrax dropped from a single-engine airplane might be deployed to wipe out NYC. The report cited a gas attack in the BART system that could kill thousands in San Francisco.

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Buchanan reveals some amazing things that the average American probably doesn't know--and isn't being told, or taught in schools--about our foreign policy. He starts with the American Revolution, then discusses WW-I and WW-II, Vietnam, and the end of the Cold War, and our recent big-time involvement in the Persian Gulf and Yugoslavia.

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With respect to what's happening now as we enter this uncertain and perilous time ahead, keep in mind that not too many years ago, we sold the mujahadin guerillas in Afghanistan gazillions of dollars worth of Stinger missiles so they could be our proxies and take down Soviet helicopters and planes so we could "contain" the USSR (which meant keeping them away from the world's last identifiable huge oil and gas deposits in Afghanistan, Kyrgyz, Azerbaijan, Tajik, Chechnya, etc).

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Don't forget Marty, we spent a lot of US tax money training the mujahadin in tactics, espionage, demolition explosives handling, weaponry, flying, etc. Later, after the Taliban took power, these guys decided their training would be fine for striking US interests (enter Osama Bin Laden and many, many, many disciples of his). First target was the World Trade Center bombing. Then the US Embassy hits. Then the Cole. Now this dastardly deed.

Also, keep in mind that thirsty North and South American oil companies were trying to strike deals with the Taliban to get those pipelines built down to the Indian ocean--away from the Russkies. But, things aren't too good for US interests, even if we have plenty deep pockets. There's too much instability in Afghanistan, especially now that the Taliban is encouraging the wholesale growing of poppy plants to feed the hugely escalating habits of heroin users in Pakistan, Afghanistan, Europe, and the US. Hey, this is really profitable! The oil cartels are finding it tough or impossible to get a foot in the door to do Big Oil business with these dirtbags.

Meanwhile the US presence in Yugoslavia, Kosovo, and soon Macedonia keeps the heroin trade route to Europe nicely well-oiled. US companies even signed multi-billion dollar cellphone system contracts, so the drug caravans can communicate as they move the stuff.

Now remember: Pakistan has nuclear weapons. A good payback for the runaway dope consumption there would be some fissionable material sales to Osama Bin Laden, eh? You can bet Saddam is still working on this project too, as well as chemical and biological terror agents.

Think about it Marty. Read Patrick Buchanan. His book should be more widely discussed.

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In the meantime US third-party political debate has been stifled, primarily by locking out third political parties. Ol' Ross Perot taught the political

establishment a lesson in presidential debating, and it's not going to let the likes of Ralph Nader, Patrick Buchanan, Ross Perot, and Winona La Duke forget it.

We're a good and righteous people Marty, but where have we gone wrong? Why have we permitted our idealism to be degraded, dumbed down, and drugged into complacency? Whatever happened to common sense?

Pray for all the innocents.

Vy 73, AI2Q, Alex in Kennebunk, Maine QRP-L 687 .-.-.

-----Original Message-----

From: owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of Marty N5NW

Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2001 6:06 PM

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion

Subject: Re: Nostradamus' prediction on WW3

Fat lot of good this "prediction" does for us now, huh? Where was it on Monday?

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73 de N5NW/8

Marty

Dayton, Ohio

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 11:36:29 -0400

From: "Brian" <brian@iquest.net>

To: <IamSF5@aol.com>,

"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [106909] Re: This, from a Canadian newspaper, is worth sharing.

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Wasn't this from like 1975?

----- Original Message -----

From: <IamSF5@aol.com>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2001 10:18 AM
Subject: This, from a Canadian newspaper, is worth sharing.

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 11:31:48 -0400
From: "Marty N5NW" <n5nw@onebox.com>
To: <ai2q@adelphia.net>, "QRP" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106910] RE: Where are we at?
Message-ID: <HKEIKBMFOAJDNCCMGNEBEECOCCAA.n5nw@onebox.com>
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This message addressed me by name in many respects. You are preaching to the Choir, Alex.

My message hopefully pointed out the futility and uselessness of pursuing such thoughts as "Nostradamus". I believe it diverts our attention from matters of great importance, which Alex so eloquently outlines in his message. I don't know the facts. I do know I share the impressions outlined, and we need to discuss the facts, to the fullest extent offered by our democratic republic, rather than blind retribution OR inane (in my opinion) "prophetic/apocolyptic" messages.

We may find out, much to our dismay, that we are guilty (unknowingly?) of harboring and training terrorists. Did they get commands and training from Kabul? Perhaps. But it would appear that most of their training and support (employment) came from right here in the Good '01 USA. Are we then to declare war on ourselves? I hope not.

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73 de N5NW/8
Marty
Dayton, Ohio

> -----Original Message-----

> From: AI2Q Alex [mailto:ai2q@adelphia.net]
> Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2001 11:01 AM
> To: QRP-L (E-mail)
> Cc: n5nw@onebox.com
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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 04:48:42 -0700
From: lhlousek <lhlousek@nvhbell.net>
To: QRP-L list <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106911] Re: Balanced Line Losses
Message-ID: <003901c13c4a\$0968e3c0\$650dfea9@nvhbell.net>
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<<<I hope that this is useful. Let me know if you have any further questions. - Dr. Megacycle KK6MC/5>>>

Actually it was extremely useful! After a little reflection I can now look at the cable attenuation chart in the ARRL Antenna Book and it all makes sense. All transmission line curves exhibit the same positive slope due to the skin effect. Some have slightly greater slopes because of additional dielectric loss. The 1 MHz intercept is determined principally by the wire size and transmission line impedance. Foam RG8 has about 30% less loss (in dB) than solid PE RG8 but much of the difference is due to the fact that the solid PE RG8 requires a smaller center conductor to achieve the same characteristic impedance.

All this is for matched lines. I'm wondering, and I guess I could figure it out with some study, but ... if I use 400 ohm 10 gauge ladder line to feed a resonant 50 ohm antenna would the loss due to the increased SWR (8:1) exactly cancel the impedance advantage compared to using RG8?

Lou W7DZN

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 11:50:10 -0400
From: "Ken Simpson, W8EK" <W8EK@fdt.net>
To: "QRP List" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106912] Keys and keyer FS
Message-ID: <02a701c13c6b\$c6d80e60\$5091d4d1@toshiba>

For Sale:

TenTec KR-50 keyer.
Iambic, with dit and dah memories, if desired (they can be turned on or off). Built in Iambic paddles, 12 V DC or 110 V AC power, and reed relay output to key most any rig. \$ 60

World War II vintage J-12 straight key.

I am guessing on the vintage, but it must be somewhere in that era - maybe earlier. It matches pictures that I have found, indicating that it is a J-12. Includes cotton covered cord. The fact it is cotton covered says something about its vintage. \$ 40

Oval Base CW straight key.

I don't think this one is quite as old as WW II, but it is fairly old. It has a solid metallic oval base, and includes a shorting switch. Good shape for \$ 35.

Oval Base key.

This one is more modern, brass colored base, with ball bearings and shorting switch. \$ 25

Prices do not include shipping from Florida.

Thanks.

73,

Ken, W8EK

Ken Simpson

E-mail to W8EK@fdt.net or W8EK@netzero.com

Voice Phone (352) 732-8400

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 09:10:20 -0700

From: <schoon@amgt.com>

To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>, <ronald.hands@sympatico.ca>

Subject: [106913] RE: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ

Message-ID: <c=US%a=_%p=American_Geotech%l=AG-CALCITE-BD-010913161020Z-3787@ag-basalt-pxy.amgt.com>

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Yes - both ABC & NBC aired showing celebrations in the Middle East....
They also showed Arab-Americans receiving death threats. I haven't seen
any celebrations in the US.

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>From: Ronald Hands[SMTP:ronald.hands@sympatico.ca]
>Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2001 5:49 PM
>To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
>Subject: Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
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>From: "John Harper AE5X" <ae5x@qsl.net>
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>> Last night while a lot of us were glued to the TV set watching, among
>other
>> footage, the celebrations in Palestinian West Jerusalem, the
>celebrations
>> were being mimicked right here in the USA>
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> Did you personally witness this "celebration"? Did you hear about it
>it from someone else? Was it reported anywhere? I can't, for
>instance, find any mention of it in a quick search of the the New York
>Times, and as a former newspaper man I would think it would have been
>front page news.
> Until I hear or see some credible evidence to the contrary, I'm
>inclined to classify this as a hoax.
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>-- Ron VE3SP
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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 12:14:24 -0400
From: "Paul Christensen" <paulc@mediaone.net>
To: <ai2q@adelphia.net>,

"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106914] Re: Where are we at?
Message-ID: <003201c13c6f\$28818da0\$6401a8c0@se.mediaone.net>
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I agree Alex. With all the brilliant minds in our intelligence and military departments, I have no doubt that this was a clear, foreseeable event. I am absolutely amazed at the quotes from our congress and military leaders that this is a "new and unexpected world threat." Fifty years ago, the same technique was used at Pearl Harbor. The only difference is that this week, 1) commercial jets were used as the destructive instrument rather than military planes, and 2) both civilian and government property was attacked.

The reality is that this form of terrorist attack was known, and that it was simply a matter of time before the event took place. The problem, of course, is how do you deal with this theory (and now fact) without causing panic? I'm not sure that anything could be done. How do decide that one day you will warn the American public that every national monument, government building, and high-visibility commercial structure will be the focus of an internal, airborne terrorist attack? Instead, we have all been lead to believe that a large military force complete with nuclear submarines and complex, star-wars defense systems will protect our nation from anything of the magnitude that occurred this week.

Also note the degree to which the politicians, military officers and media are claiming that this was a very complex and expensive operation. What is all that complex and expensive for a group of two-dozen or so committed individuals to draft a well-designed plan, obtain ATP pilot's licenses, risk their own lives, take an unprotected cockpit by storm, and turn a fully fueled jet into a perfectly guided missile? Seems quite simple to me....so simple to the point of denial.

Another quite sickening observation of mine is the way in which the two NY senators have capitalized on the event. Do we really need all the congratulatory speeches right now? I was shocked to hear the first words coming from Hillary Clinton yesterday: "We want to SHOW the country and be VISIBLE to the tragedy." What happens is that when your entire dialect becomes so politically

correct, it sounds insincere. I have no doubt she was sincere, but the words she choose presented a clear, political tone of insincerity. I felt like I was listening to the politically correct people within my own organization during our weekly team meetings.

So, now we have a knee-jerk reaction to the problem. I am sure we will have better security measures at the airports, perhaps armed officers on our planes, armed pilots, reinforced cockpits, etc. But all this is coming at the added reduction of our freedom and privacy. Unfortunately, we will now be all too willing to give up what remaining freedom we have for the sake of security. It's a Hellish world.

-Paul, W9AC

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> might not vote for him. His opposition could use this as well.
>
> Don't forget Marty, we spent a lot of US tax money training the mujahadin in
> tactics, espionage, demolition explosives handling, weaponry, flying, etc.
> Later, after the Taliban took power, these guys decided their training would
> be fine for striking US interests (enter Osama Bin Laden and many, many,
> many disciples of his). First target was the World Trade Center bombing.
> Then the US Embassy hits. Then the Cole. Now this dastardly deed.
>
> Also, keep in mind that thirsty North and South American oil companies were
> trying to strike deals with the Taliban to get those pipelines built down to
> the Indian ocean--away from the Russkies. But, things aren't too good for US
> interests, even if we have plenty deep pockets. There's too much instability
> in Afghanistan, especially now that the Taliban is encouraging the wholesale
> growing of poppy plants to feed the hugely escalating habits of heroin users
> in Pakistan, Afghanistan, Europe, and the US. Hey, this is really
> profitable! The oil cartels are finding it tough or impossible to get a foot
> in the door to do Big Oil business with these dirtbags.
>
> Meanwhile the US presence in Yugoslavia, Kosovo, and soon Macedonia keeps
> the heroin trade route to Europe nicely well-oiled. US companies even signed
> multi-billion dollar cellphone system contracts, so the drug caravans can
> communicate as they move the stuff.
>
> Now remember: Pakistan has nuclear weapons. A good payback for the runaway
> dope consumption there would be some fissionable material sales to Osama Bin
> Laden, eh? You can bet Saddam is still working on this project too, as well
> as chemical and biological terror agents.
>
> Think about it Marty. Read Patrick Buchanan. His book should be more widely
> discussed.
>
> My own conclusion is that our government has been largely out of control,

> dominated by multi-national corporations (that don't vote). The government
> isn't protecting the average citizen's interests at all. Whether Democrats
> or Republicans, we have been selling arms wherever we can make a buck, be it
> to Israel, South America, Taiwan, Afghanistan, wherever. One way or the
> other, we've been training people like the Muslim guerillas in order to
> secure oil, gas, and dope.

>
> In the meantime US third-party political debate has been stifled, primarily
> by locking out third political parties. Ol' Ross Perot taught the political
> establishment a lesson in presidential debating, and it's not going to let
> the likes of Ralph Nader, Patrick Buchanan, Ross Perot, and Winona La Duke
> forget it.

>
> We're a good and righteous people Marty, but where have we gone wrong? Why
> have we permitted our idealism to be degraded, dumbed down, and drugged into
> complacency? Whatever happened to common sense?

>
> Pray for all the innocents.

>
> Vy 73, AI2Q, Alex in Kennebunk, Maine QRP-L 687 .-.-.

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>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU]On Behalf Of
> Marty N5NW
> Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2001 6:06 PM
> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
> Subject: Re: Nostradamus' prediction on WW3

>
>
> Fat lot of good this "prediction" does for us now, huh? Where was it on
> Monday?

>
> --
> 73 de N5NW/8
> Marty
> Dayton, Ohio
>

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 12:32:03 -0400
From: Dave Pomeroy <dave@dpomeroy.com>
To: QRP-L <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106915] Low pass filter size
Message-ID: <5.1.0.14.0.20010913122927.009ea730@mail.dpomeroy.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

I'm making an amp and was wondering what size the filter wire and toroids should be. I've found the info in the Hand Book, but I can't seem to find any info on Toroid size or wire size.

I know this is not QRP but you folks are the ones that know. Thanks in Advance
Dave Pomeroy K8DNP SouthWestern Michigan

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 11:34:32 -0500
From: "Rob Matherly" <kc0bom@arrl.net>
To: <rod@n0rc.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106916] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
Message-ID: <004001c13c71\$f947fc60\$b011a541@intern01>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi;

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No Doubt there are many fine Muslims, Mohammed Ali comes to mind. I had the pleasure to meet the man, and his family a number of years ago.

---->

I haven't thought very much of the guy ever since I saw footage of him on a TV documentary saying that any white man who sleeps with a black woman should be hung.

72/73/oo
Rob, kc0bom

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 12:53:29 -0400
From: "Ed Tanton" <n4xy@att.net>
To: "'Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion'" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106917] Foxhunts & other activities from here forward...
Message-ID: <005c01c13c74\$9db12630\$fa0c4d0c@n4xy00>

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Folks I would like to encourage everyone to resume their lives as best we may. The horrible events of this past week have caused an interruption to our everyday lives we have all felt was appropriate-but that interruption was at the heart of the intention of the terrorists. I believe we should all resume our lives as much as possible-while continuing our prayers, as well as our personal reflections in our hearts. It is that resumption of everyday life in America that actually serves to defeat the perpetrators of this attack on our country, our freedoms, and our way of life.

73 Ed Tanton N4XY <n4xy@arrl.net>

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website: <http://www.n4xy.com>

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OK-QRP QRP-L #758 K2 (FT) #00057

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 16:57:19 +0000
From: "Delbert Long" <ad6we@hotmail.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [106918] World Trade Center Stations
Message-ID: <F241ScMZ3lVRKClAul10000d17c@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

Just wanted to post parts of a few responses that I got from my request for info about repeaters on the WTC...

>Manhattan 445.175 - nb2a NYPD ARC located on top of the World
>Trade Center

>New York City Radio Amateur
Civil Emergency Located at 7 World Trade CTR 23rd floor amateur radio
station WC20EM

>Had a few good Qs a few days ago through the K2QH 10m repeater that was on the WTC according to the ARRL guide.

Delbert Long, AD6WE
2111 Cheyenne Way Unit 9
Fullerton, CA 92833-4912
Grid Square DM13av

Everything should be made as simple as possible, but not simpler. - Albert Einstein

It ain't over 'till it's over. - Yogi Berra

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 11:55:10 -0500
From: Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>
To: mark@buttery.org
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106919] Re: Rigs [HF Emergency, somewhat OT]
Message-ID: <3BA0E4EE.5521@companet.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Mark J. Dulcey wrote:

> There are situations where HF radios are needed, but
> they're not likely to happen in urban areas; more likely
> scenarios would include wilderness rescues and forest fires.

Well stated, Mark. The situation you described is one where HF SSB is about the ONLY reliable radio system to use. In many places in the Arkansas Ozarks where I spend a lot of time, there's no cell phone coverage nor ham repeater coverage. Even VHF/UHF public service repeater coverage can be non-existent under normal conditions. Shortwave is the only way a signal will get out.

> Radios in the 20 watt class, such as the SGC 2020, have been
> successfully used for this sort of operation.

Unless one insists on long-distance "manpack" capability, it seems to me that a 100-watt class mobile rig (TS-50, DX-70, FT-100, IC-706. or even TS-430/440 size) would provide the best set of features and flexibility for the cost expended.

When using any set on battery power, one needs be mindful that most HF rigs are spec'd for 13.8 vdc +/- 15% supply voltage. Thus the low voltage spec is reached at 11.73 volts, a value that can quickly be reached even when using a heavy deep-discharge battery and short, heavy dc power cables to the rig. In particular, some rigs begin to have problems with reliable bandswitching relay and control relay operation if applied voltage approaches 11 volts (like the TS-430). The battery may still have quite a bit of useful capacity left, but when the radio gets flakey from low voltage the effective capacity is greatly reduced. Emergency-use battery operations demands choosing the highest capacity deep discharge unit that you can accomodate in your emergency kit. (I use 210 amp-hour units, one always kept in the truck, the other in the house. They are charged monthly when not otherwise in use. I also have a light Honda generator with 12 vdc battery charging output for use with these batteries in the field should recharge become necessary.)

On the other hand, relatively small and light-weight 34 amp-hour deep discharge batteries are sold everywhere for about \$35 (less than a new HT battery pack) and these can be used for short periods of operation even where you may need to carry the gear some distance.

To me, there is a great sense of satisfaction in communicating reliably point-to-point out in a wilderness with no man-made infrastructure (repeaters, satellites, phone lines, computers) required between stations. That is also the core of genuine emergency communications capability.

73,
Mike / KK5F

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 12:18:32 -0500
From: "Rob Matherly" <kc0bom@arrl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>,
"Flying Pigs" <fpqrp-l@mpna.com>
Cc: "Rathbun Area Hams" <rathbun-area-hams@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: [106920] Here we go...
Message-ID: <00b501c13c78\$1f752ec0\$b011a541@intern01>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi All;

Just in case you didn't know, Congress is writing up a declaration of war as we speak...

72/73/oo

Rob, kc0bom

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 17:19:58 +0000
From: "Leon Heller" <leon_heller@hotmail.com>
To: Jerry.Lofstead@McKesson.com, qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [106921] RE: HB: Audio Amp
Message-ID: <F142fh8M6sPBZFCil5r00001fc0@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

>From: "Lofstead, Jerry" <Jerry.Lofstead@McKesson.com>
>>PVC Pipe fittings especially the elbows make nice looking speaker
>enclosures...
>
>

If you use a straight tube, it can be cut to length to tune it to a particular frequency. I forget where I saw this, but it was suggested for CW reception. It'll act as an AF filter.

73, Leon

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Leon Heller, G1HSM Tel: +44 1327 359058 Email:leon_heller@hotmail.com
My web page: http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller
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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 10:37:25 -0700
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [106922] Washington Salmon Run contest this weekend
Message-ID: <20010913103725.A9756@oz.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

The annual Washington Salmon Run contest will be held from 1600Z Saturday, September 15 through 0700Z Sunday, September 16 and from 1600Z through 2400Z on Sunday, September 16. For the highest-scoring stations in several categories there will be edible prizes awarded (hence the name of the contest)! Full information can be found at:

<http://www.wwdxc.org/salmonrun/>

73, Bob

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Bob Nielsen, N7XY	nielsen@oz.net
Bainbridge Island, WA	http://www.oz.net/~nielsen
IOTA NA-065, USI WA-028S	

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 10:40:24 -0700
From: "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106923] St. Aidan's Drawing information
Message-ID: <005901c13c7b\$2dc34360\$4a0b0d0a@dph.dpol.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

A few have asked if they could send checks instead of \$5 bills as they feel uncomfortable sending cash through the mail. This is not a problem, make the check out to Doug Hendricks and I will cash it and put a \$5 bill with your call on it in the drawing. I can't put the check in there, as it would then be different from all the other tickets. If you would like multiple entries, please feel free to do so, i.e. if you want 3 "tickets" in the drawing, send a check for \$15.

The prize list is staggering: We will draw 1 prize per ticket.

Eric Swartz will draw the winning ticket for a K2!!

Dave Benson the winning ticket for SWL DSW20+!!
Dave Fifield the winning ticket for the Red Hot 40!!
Vern Wright for the MP-1 complete with all accessories!!
I will draw for the MFJ 15 Meter Cub.

Plus we have prizes from the NJ QRP Club, Arizona ScQRPions, Ft. Smith QRP Group, TeNeKe, and of course NorCal. We are giving away over \$1500 worth of prizes, you don't have to be present to win, and all proceeds will go to the St. Aidan's Church in Rochdale England. This is the home parish of Rev. George Dobbs, hall of famer QRPer, and the founder of the GQRP Club.

If you would like to enter the drawing, please send a \$5 bill with your call on it for every ticket that you wish to have in the drawing. We will draw the winners at 8:00 Saturday, Oct. 20th at the QRP Hospitality Room in Concord, CA.

Send your entries in an envelope addressed to:

Doug Hendricks
Attn: St. Aidan's Raffle
862 Frank Ave.
Dos Palos, CA 93620

Thanks for your support, and I hope that you win a transceiver or other great prize for \$5!! Thanks to all of the great sponsors who donated every prize in full. Not one penny went to buy prizes, they were all donated. Thanks to:

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Red Hot Radio
Super Antennas
Small Wonder Labs
MFJ
Dennis Foster TeNeKe
Vern Wright W6MMA Antennas
St. Louis QRP Club
NJ QRP Club
Ft. Smith QRP Group
Arizona ScQRPions
Norcal

72, Doug, KI6DS

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 13:51:27 -0400
From: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106924] Re: Rigs
Message-ID: <02fc01c13c7c\$b9129aa0\$010044c0@baycty1.mi.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

----- Original Message -----

From: "Mark J. Dulcey" <mark@buttery.org>
Subject: Re: Rigs

> There are situations where HF radios are needed, but
> they're not likely to happen in urban areas; more likely
> scenarios would include wilderness rescues and forest fires.

Even in urban and suburban areas, often communications is needed to the state EC and/or NWS. In highly populated areas like the coasts where you may have repeater links all the way, 2 meters would be preferred. But here in the middle reliable VHF links across the state just aren't in place, or if they are, tend to be only one, and thus a bottleneck or potential single failure point. In these situations you are forced to HF.

> NVIS (near vertical incidence skywave) is the preferred
> mode of operation, and the likely bands for operation are
> 80 and 40 meters, and the proposed 60 meter band if we
> get it.

You're right about it being typically NVIS, but keep in mind you can't call the propagation ahead of time. It's pretty much gonna be 75 meters and odds are, it's going to be daytime. Chances are the noise level and absorption are going to be high. Realistically, if you want any sort of reliability at all, you will relay over VHF to a fixed station with a gasoline generator, a kilowatt, and a decent antenna.

Now, if there was no planning, if the local EC had given no thought to the situation, they maybe a 2020 is the best you can do. But I would hate to have somebody's life depend on my ability to make a 75 phone contact with 20 watts and a makeshift antenna in the middle of summer. Better to have someone with an HT stationed on a hilltop every 10 miles or so and relay the traffic out to someone who can make the path to incident command or has a working landline.

And heck, get a 2800H or something similar so you can put a repeater in your car. That way, even if you're alone, you can extend your HT out to 25 or 30 miles, more if you're careful about where you park. And these days, it's pretty hard to picture a location where you can't get to SOME repeater from your car, and get out 50 to 100 miles from that repeater.

Keep in mind, too, that a lot of fixed stations or semi-fixed stations are needed in almost any sort of incident. Right here in river city we use packet quite a bit for some kinds of incidents, and the county has funded a packet repeater complete with generators and the whole shot. We also have a packet station in the county emergency vehicle, so many times we have packet on the scene. Of course, in many counties, packet would be close to useless. You really need to understand what your county or city plan is.

72/73 de WB8RCR <http://members.home.com/wb8rcr/index.htm>
didileydadidah QRP-L #1446 Code Warriors #35

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 13:58:45 -0400
From: "NZ8J" <timcook@erinet.com>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106925] WTB: CW Filter for IC-735
Message-ID: <04b001c13c7d\$bbbd2bc0\$6122fea9@nec>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Looking for a FL-32A 500hz cw filter for a IC-735 or possibly one of the 400
hz International radio filter.
thanks
Tim
NZ8J

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 14:07:36 -0400
From: "David Porter" <aa3ur@home.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106926] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
Message-ID: <008201c13c7e\$f872bf20\$927ba8c0@jamison1.pa.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I am reminded of the Kung Fu series. Often, Kane (AKA Grasshopper) had said that the taking of a life does no one honor. This has always resonated with me.

One episode was about revenge. He was asked by a grieving father something like "If I don't have the right to avenge the death of my son, who does?" Kane's answer was "No one." Another resonance.

I am struggling to reconcile my feelings of rage and desire for revenge about September 11, 2001 and the above concepts. However, when there is a US response, I will try to keep both of these ideas in mind and try to restrain my own desire to celebrate and instead try revere the sacrifices made on both sides.

David Porter AA3UR
aa3ur@home.com

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 13:45:58 +0000
From: "Steven Weber" <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [106927] QRP TTF
Message-ID: <200109131816.f8DIGBc21374@wolf.ncia.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
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To The Field is this weekend? Thanks for the "heads up", I thought it was next weekend! Guess I'll head up to the Log Cabin on Mt. Adams again this year. Will be a good test to see if the old collar bone is up to hiking most of the VT AT next week.

72,
Steve, KD1JV in the White Mountains of New Hampshire
"Melt Solder"
<http://www.qsl.net/kd1jv/index.html>

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 18:19:24 +0000
From: "Delbert Long" <ad6we@hotmail.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Message-ID: <F461JbSorxTjtRpeVP00000f11a@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

Text of an email I received today:

Date: Wednesday, September 12, 2001 5:24 PM
Subject: Flag

To show these terrorists that the people of the United States stick together,

Friday September 14th, is going to be designated as "Flags Across America."

All Americans are asked to display the American flag either in their homes, cars, on their bodies, at work or whatever.

Let's keep the meaning of UNITED in "United States"

Pass this onto as many people as you know.
THANK YOU.

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Grid Square DM13av

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 13:15:16 -0500
From: Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>
To: wb8rcr@arrl.net
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106929] Re: Rigs
Message-ID: <3BA0F7B4.4FAF@companet.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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It does make one wonder how the WWII military portables (BC-611, BC-721, MABs, DAVs) operating around 4 mcs with 35 milliwatts to a three foot whip could have been usable even as far as line of sight!

73,
Mike / KK5F

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 13:20:05 -0500
From: "Kanalz, Karl" <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>
To: "'mmorrow@companet.net'" <mmorrow@companet.net>,
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106930] RE: Rigs & Emergency Communications
Message-ID:
<E78D8A9D6762D411B5440008C791D4AA04A49EB3@dfwex03.allegiancetelecom.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

'Fraid I gotta' agree with Mike (KK5F - did you pass just one third of your Extra Class exam, Mike?), John. 75M in the daytime is not (usually) going to be useful for point-to-point communications, even using NVIS antenna techniques.

Forty Meters will be, by far, a better choice, with or without an NVIS antenna System, for emergency communications.

Karl K - W8TIF
McKinney, Texas

-----Original Message-----
From: Mike [SMTP:mmorrow@companet.net]
Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2001 1:15 PM
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
Subject: Re: Rigs

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73,
Mike / KK5F

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 15:01:05 -0400
From: "Mark Mohr" <themohrs@fuse.net>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106931] Day of Infamy - thoughts (long)
Message-ID: <000701c13c86\$983244c0\$762c44d8@markstoy>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello, All ;

It's been a while since I posted to the list, but I do get and read the daily digests. I note that some of you are discussing the Sept. 11th tragedy, and had some thoughts of my own. Being a vocal and outspoken type, here they are, for what they're worth.

First, my XYL and I thank all the hams who, from other countries, sent their condolences and support. From the four corners, as it were, they agree with us that this is insanity at it's worst and an unspeakable tragedy. Paula is far more spiritual than I am, and she prays for all involved - those who perished and those who survive them.

I, too, have been glued to the boob tube these past two days, and saw

the video of celebrating
Palestinians on the West Bank. I, too, see them as idiots fit only for
execution. But, at the same time
I understand that not all arabic people are this way. A true follower of
Islam, or a Muslim, having
read his Koran (sp) would never condone this sort of thing. The thought
would never cross their
minds. They have a name for God - Allah. We just call him God. BUT IT'S THE
SAME GOD. So
any Muslim or Islamic who would condone terrorism CANNOT be a true believer.
So don't lump
all Arabs, Islamics, Muslims, etc together in one group - they are not one
group.

There is an old saying - one bad apple spoils a whole bushel. This is
the case here. A few lunatics,
relatively speaking, have found a way to ruin the rest of the world's
relative calm. These bad apples
MUST be found and destroyed. Note that president Bush and others refer to
this as a war. Note
also that NATO has invoked Article V, for the first time since 1949. Note
that Bush lumps together
the terrorists themselves and governments who knowingly support them.
Picture the combined military
might of NATO descending on, say, Afghanistan. Now extend that to nations
that harbor other
terrorists. It will take years, it will cost dearly (in more ways than
one) but it needs doing. These
lunatics cannot be reasoned with - they must be utterly destroyed. I pray
that the degree of support
and resolve present now holds long enough to accomplish this task.

In three day's time, I will attempt Elements 1 thru 3. If all goes well,
by the end of this month I will
be a General. I just thought these things needed saying, just like so many
others need to talk about
it. Just my own personal opinions, which I would NEVER seek to impose on
anyone, but my right
as an American under the First Amendment.

Our thoughts are with those who suffer now, and in the war to come. But
I say this - take the fight
to those who started it, and fight it by their rules - take off the gloves,
toss the Marquis of Queensbury
rules out the window, and level whole cities if that's what it takes.
Drastic ? Overkill ? Show them the
pictures of Manhattan when they cry foul.

Paula suggests this scripture reference, and it seems fitting :
Ephesians 6 : 10 - 17 inclusive.

Musing.....

TNX
Mark Mohr

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 15:01:00 -0400
From: G Brandon Hoyt <preacher102677@juno.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [106932] My Brand new MFJ 945-E
Message-ID: <20010913.150102.-3974923.0.preacher102677@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello!

I got me a brand new tuner, and was wondering if anyone has been using the same model. It's the MFJ Mobile tuner.

Spo-cifically....

Anyone used it with a balanced feedline system? It has a coax feed for both antenner and txcvr, and the manual says that you can use it with a random length wire, but says nothing about balanced feed line. That information seems to suggest that the anttener input unbalanced, so do I need to go through a balun before I go to the feedline? If so, 1:1 or 4:1 or what manner of Balun?

LIC,

G. Brandon Hoyt --"Known far and Wide as the Great Pumpkin."
Photographer, Philosopher, Preacher, Pirate, Poet.
DE KG4GVL Clear.

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 14:06:31 -0500
From: Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>

To: "Kanalz, Karl" <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106933] Re: Rigs & Emergency Communications
Message-ID: <3BA103B7.2453@companet.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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I hope I'm missing something.

Mike / KK5F

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 15:22:06 -0400 (EDT)
From: "Paul R. Valko" <prvalko@oakland.edu>
To: Delbert Long <ad6we@hotmail.com>
Cc: QRP List <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106934] Terrorists Clogging the Internet!
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.4.21.0109131456050.16706-100000@saturn4.acs.oakland.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

It is believed that international terrorist organizations are attempting to bring down the Internet with "feel good" email messages.

Several examples have sprung up since the attack on the World Trade Center and the US Pentagon. Most are messages urging people to "Fly the Flag!!!" and other patriotic sounding titles. Others are based on claims of predictions from well known psychics and mystics. Even Nostradamus has popped off from the grave to predict this attack.

In each and every case, the email has included a phrase urging you to forward the email to every person you know or as many friends as you can.

PLEASE do NOT forward these messages! Although they sound nice and may give you a warm feeling of doing something, you are playing directly into the hands of the murderers by clogging email servers and systems around

the world.

Do not forward this email to EVERYONE you know, but quietly inform those that have unwittingly assisted the electronic terrorists by forwarding Internet clogging messages.

Thank you,

Paul Valko

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 15:22:47 -0400
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: "Mark J. Dulcey" <mark@buttery.org>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106935] Re: Rigs
Message-ID: <3BA10787.1AFB57A1@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Mark,

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At no time was HF operation ever considered. While the emergency was definitely a local operation, the Red Cross personnel had ample cell phones to contact outlying activities for health and welfare traffic. With few exceptions the only reason we were allowed to participate was because of our close affiliation with the Red Cross. Many activities don't even want amateurs involved.

An exception might be Hurricane nets, There QRO radios are definitely the order of the day!

73

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 15:31:07 -0400

From: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Cc: <mmorrow@companet.net>
Subject: [106936] Re: Rigs
Message-ID: <032601c13c8a\$aa2fd760\$010044c0@baycty1.mi.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

----- Original Message -----

From: "Mike" <mmorrow@companet.net>
Subject: Re: Rigs

> John, I agree with the core of your message. However
> I don't understand why you are leaving 40m out of the
> picture for daytime use. I would never try 75m in
> the middle of the day for anything. I doubt many
> emergency HF stations would be capable of operation
> *only* on 75m.

When I saw Karl's signature, I realized I was making an assumption that in many cases won't hold. That is, that the state government, NWS, or other statewide agencies you may need to contact are just out of repeater range ... i.e. about 50-100 miles away. While QSO's of that distance happen on 40, they are not all that common, and you certainly can't count on them. Heck, my fox hunt experience indicates that 100-150 miles is still pretty short. On the other hand, given enough power, you can do them on 75 pretty much any time.

But if you're in Texas, as Karl is, that's obviously a bad assumption! If the state capital were 300 miles away, I'd probably prefer 40, even though I'd be a little more subject to the vagaries of the propagation gods. Most of the time it would be an easier path.

Your latitude also makes a difference. Here on the tundra, I suspect 40 is short a lot less of the time than it is down there in the tropics. On the other hand, 75 is probably a little quieter.

As far as 35mw With 3 foot whips, well The absorption and noise doesn't make the inverse square law go away, and even an NVIS path to the ionosphere is a bunch further away than the horizon. But clearly, for line of sight communications, VHF is a pile more effective, which is why we use it.

I do agree that only one band is probably a bad plan. Since you can't know the propagation ahead of time, the more diversity the better.

Also keep in mind this isn't a QRP thing. I would also "never" try a daytime 75 meter Q unless I absolutely had to, but if I HAD to, I wouldn't be fiddling with 5 watts. But short of a total HF blackout situation, the times you can't make a short path on 75 are the same times that path on 40 will be miserable (but probably doable with power). On those days, 20 might not be such a bad plan for a short hop.

Of course, more than anything else, it depends on what's running on the other end. Won't do you much good to call the SEC on 75 if he's listening on 40.

And please don't accuse me of being an 80 meter bigot. I really despise the band. I do try the MI QRP net from time to time, and perhaps once a year or so I'll jump onto a 75 meter net to drag a local over to the repeater, but my preferences tend toward 20, then 40. After all, the higher the frequency, the less power matters. (Confession - Tuesday night I even plugged my microphone in just in case I heard some MI bound traffic from the east coast 40 meter phone nets. I didn't actually talk into it, tho! And I even harbored impure thoughts about turning up the power.) But you do need to match the band to the problem.

72/73 de WB8RCR <http://members.home.com/wb8rcr/index.htm>
didileydadidah QRP-L #1446 Code Warriors #35

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 15:34:44 -0400
From: Donn Kuse <casey.jay@gte.net>
To: "qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106937] Re: Emtech QRP Tranceivers
Message-ID: <3BA10A54.CF7980C6@gte.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Want to thank all who have responded about the tranceivers and keyers. All were very helpful. Still hard to make a decision. Just have to take time to digest everything.
73, Donn, WB4ZWT
66 and still learning

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 14:42:04 -0500

From: "Ron Ochu" <rochu01@mail.win.org>
To: <stephen@stevef.demon.co.uk>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106938] Re: Nostradamus questions
Message-ID: <000b01c13c8c\$2c144b20\$9850000a@OchuRL>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Steve,

Well said!

72,

Ron, K00Z

----- Original Message -----

From: "Steve Farthing" <stephen@stevef.demon.co.uk>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2001 5:17 PM
Subject: Nostradamus questions

What does he predict about propagation conditions for the millennium? Does he say anything about the best time to work DX. Does he have a callsign? I think we should be told.

Steve

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 15:53:33 -0400
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: ad6we@hotmail.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106939] Re:
Message-ID: <3BA10EBD.3071B57F@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Delbert,

>

> Text of an email I received today:

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> Date: Wednesday, September 12, 2001 5:24 PM
> Subject: Flag
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> To show these terrorists that the people of the United States stick
> together,
>
> Friday September 14th, is going to be designated as "Flags Across America."
>
> All Americans are asked to display the American flag either in their homes,
> cars, on their bodies, at work or whatever.
>
> Let's keep the meaning of UNITED in "United States"
>
I guess you believe that you are the only one in America who has seen or
heard a TV report in the last few days. Most of this information was
released YESTERDAY by the government. You are only cluttering up this
list with your keyboard! If you have something of value to contribute,
by all means do it. Otherwise, please remember that your list mates are
thinking, breathing human beings!

73

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 12:57:09 -0700
From: Charlie Panek <charlie_paneke@agilent.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [106940] Re: Washington Salmon Run contest this weekend
Message-ID: <3BA10F95.C60B9BBB@agilent.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Bob Nielsen wrote:

>
> The annual Washington Salmon Run contest will be held from 1600Z
> Saturday, September 15 through 0700Z Sunday, September 16 and from
> 1600Z through 2400Z on Sunday, September 16. For the highest-scoring
> stations in several categories there will be edible prizes awarded
> (hence the name of the contest)! Full information can be found at:
>
> <http://www.wwdxc.org/salmonrun/>
>

Though it hasn't made it onto the web page yet, there are once
again some QRP prizes being offered; One for top QRP score

West of the Mississippi, and one for the East. Last year the Western package of QRP smoked Salmon went unclaimed! All it would have taken was 10 QSOs to win it last year! In addition there are prizes for top QRP CW and SSB scores (out of state), which are a year's subscription to Worldradio.

72,

Charlie

KX7L

Snohomish County WA

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Charlie Panek
mailto:charlie_panek@agilent.com
Agilent Technologies Inc.
Everett, Washington

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 15:58:21 -0400
From: John Harper AE5X <ae5x@qsl.net>
To: QRP-L <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106941] An apology for my last posting
Message-ID: <000701c13c8e\$70f96660\$835dbc18@johnharp>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

I want to offer a sincere apology for my last posting. Tuesday was a tough day for me on a personal level.

As some of you know, I live in close proximity to NYC and worked as a field tech in Manhattan at a previous job. Two of our clients were banking offices located in the WTC. I had "casual friend" relationships with 3 people there and saw them monthly. I don't know if they are alive or not. On the way home from work Tuesday afternoon I went to Paterson to check on the status of the sale of a piece of property belonging to my wife and, on my way back out to I-80 to come home, I saw the jeering youths (about 8-10 of them) that I'd heard about. And from I-80 in Paterson, I could see the smoke from lower Manhattan. The combination of these 2 sights, along with the act of terrorism that sparked them, was more than I could deal with rationally.

I'm cooled off now, and again, my apologies to the list for an extremely off-topic post. I should have dealt with all this in another way.

John Harper AE5X
Outdoor QRP & Lowband DXing: <http://www.qsl.net/ae5x>

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 16:00:36 -0400
From: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Cc: <w6toy@erols.com>
Subject: [106942] Re: Rigs
Message-ID: <033801c13c8e\$c369d4c0\$010044c0@baycty1.mi.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Bruce

This is very much a county by county thing. It depends a lot on your statewide ARES and/or RACES organization, your local EC and your city/county emergency services director.

Here in Michigan, we have a pretty good statewide RACES organization and we have an excellent EC in our county, along with a very aggressive and forward-looking county emergency services director.

When there is any sort of incident the amateurs immediately get rolled out. We have both voice and packet stations at the local law enforcement center, the county courthouse (which is across the city from the LEC) and in the county's emergency van. The county has funded a packet repeater at the local hospital, which provides not only a good repeater site (It's probably the tallest building in the city) but includes emergency power. The county is also asking the RACES organization to consider some other communications projects, which the county would fund.

In some emergency situations, law enforcement has routed critical messages over amateur circuits in preference to available "professional" circuits because they are more confident of timely, accurate delivery over the amateur circuits. Obviously, this hasn't happened overnight, and we were involved in many incidents before this started. But for a number of years now, whenever there is a problem, amateurs have been working shoulder to shoulder with dispatchers at the LEC, county officials at the courthouse, and officers on the scene, and have provided dozens of eyes and ears out across the county, all trained in emergency management through FEMA and most Skywarn certified.

In planning for an upcoming, multi-county emergency simulation, we are finding that we probably cannot come up with enough amateurs to meet the requests of the various emergency response agencies. We will be partnering with REACT (yup the CB group) to fill the void. We are being asked only for communications help. We do see a need for a number of unlicensed folks to support the amateurs (logging, tracking station locations, running messages,

etc.), but basically we are being asked for about 20% more operators than we can find! The simulation is obviously larger than any real event we've seen, but it is quite realistic.

So no, amateurs aren't always shut out from the communications needs, but without an organization in place, with plans and protocols, there isn't really a lot we can offer, since the emergency response folks wouldn't know how to get us, and wouldn't be able to count on us.

72/73 de WB8RCR <http://members.home.com/wb8rcr/index.htm>
didileydadidah QRP-L #1446 Code Warriors #35

----- Original Message -----

From: "Bruce Muscolino" <w6toy@erols.com>

Subject: Re: Rigs

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 16:11:47 -0400
From: "John Dorson" <JDORSON@worldshare.net>
To: <mmorrow@companet.net>,
 "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106943] Re: Rigs & Emergency Communications
Message-ID: <001501c13c90\$524b2c60\$7697f4d1@john>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

NOT AGAIN...

----- Original Message -----

From: "Mike" <mmorrow@companet.net>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2001 3:06 PM

Subject: Re: Rigs & Emergency Communications

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> Mike / KK5F

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 16:14:18 -0400
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106944] Re: Rigs
Message-ID: <3BA1139A.7C86F3C7@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

John,

I agree with you about the EC. The best advice I have seen all day on this topic is to contact your local county EC and find out what is needed. However, the EC is a coordinator, that's what the C in the title means. He coordinates the ham response with officials. Whatever we do is always secondary to them!

73

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 16:15:58 -0400
From: Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>
To: <lhlousek@nvhbell.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106945] Re: Balanced Line Losses
Message-ID: <20010913201659.IRVQ13157.imf16bis.bellsouth.net@[192.168.0.20]>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"

On 9/12/01 5:22 PM, lhlousek at lhlousek@nvhbell.net wrote:

>Isn't the major reason that open ladder line had such a low loss was that
>it had
>no dielectric losses? With no dielectric the only loss should be IR losses
>which would depend on wire gauge. You can make 400 ohm open ladder line with
>any gauge and, hence any loss, you want.

Most of the losses in either type of feedline are resistive in nature.
The dielectric losses are secondary (but, I believe they increase with
increasing frequency).

The ARRL handbook has an excellent section with a graph showing feedline
losses, as well as equations for computing the additional loss at given
SWR due to reflections. If you look at the graph, you find that 1/2" or
1" window line has less loss than ANY listed coax, including 7/8"
hardline, and open wire line has less loss than that.

Granted, these are losses with matched transmission lines. However, since
open wire starts off so far ahead of coax, it is often the case that it
maintains less loss even in the presence of reflections.

You can certainly construct cases where coax will demonstrate less loss
than an open wire feedline, for a given impedance. But where the
impedances are unknown (as in a multi-band tuned antenna system), or
close to the feedline impedance, open wire is an excellent choice.

Bill Coleman, AA4LR, PP-ASEL Mail: aa4lr@arrl.net
Quote: "Not within a thousand years will man ever fly!"
 -- Wilbur Wright, 1901

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 16:16:23 -0400
From: Ken Newman <N2CQ@citnet.com>
To: epaqrp-1@lehigh.edu, QRP-L@lehigh.edu, njqrp@njqrp.org,
 n9avg@amsat.org
Subject: [106946] [CONTEST] QRP Contest Calendar - Sep 15-30
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.20010913161623.009019b0@mail.citnet.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

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QRP CONTEST CALENDAR



September 15-30, 2001

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Washington State Salmon Run (CW/SSB) ... QRP Category

Sep 15 - 1600z to Sep 16 - 0700z

Sep 16 - 1600z to Sep 16 - 2400z

Rules: <http://www.wwdxc.org/salmonrun/rules.htm>

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Scandinavian Activity Contest (CW) ... QRP Category

Sep 15 - 1200z to Sep 16 - 1200z

Rules: <http://www.sk3bg.se/contest/sacnsc.htm>

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QRP Afield (CW/SSB/Digital) *** QRP Contest ***

Sep 15 - 1700z to Sep 16 - 1700z (Any 8 hours)

Rules: <http://www.qsl.net/wq1rp>

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NA Sprint (SSB)

Sep 16 - 0000z to 0400z

Rules:

<http://www.ncjweb.com/index.php3?leftcol=contestmenu&rightcol=sprintrules1>

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Tennessee QSO Party

Sep 16 - 1800z to Sep 17 - 0100z

Rules: <http://www.k4ro.net/tcg/tqp/tqp99fin.html#rules>

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Scandinavian Activity Contest (SSB) ... QRP Category

Sep 22 - 1200z to Sep 23 - 1200z

Rules: <http://www.sk3bg.se/contest/sacnsc.htm>

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Fall QRP Homebrewer Sprint (CW/PSK31) ***QRP CONTEST***

Sep 24 - 0000z to 0400z (Sunday evening in US/Canada)

Rules: <http://www.njqrp.org/data/qrphomebrewersprint.html>

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CQWW RTTY DX Contest ... QRP QRM

Sep 29 - 0000z to Sep 30 - 2400z

Rules: <http://www.rttyjournal.com/rules/cqww.html>

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QRP ARCI Fall QSO Party (CW) *** QRP Contest ***

Sep 29 - 1200z to Sep 30 - 2400z

Rules: <http://personal.palouse.net/rfoltz/arci/fall.htm>

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Texas QSO Party (All) ... QRP Category

Sep 29 - 1400z to Sep 30 - 0200z

Sep 30 - 1400z to Sep 30 - 2000z

Rules: <http://www.k5vuu.com/tqp/>

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Louisiana QSO Party (CW/PH) ... QRP Category

Sep 29 - 1400z to Sep 30 - 0200z

Sep 30 - 1400z to Sep 30 - 2000z

Rules: <http://www.tchams.org/users/contest/laqp/>

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Alabama Heart of Dixie QSO Party (CW/SSB) ... QRP Category

Sept 29 - 1800z to 2400z

Rules: <http://web.dbtech.net/~dxcc/rules1.htm>

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Anyone may use this "QRP Contest Calendar" for your website, newsletter,
e-mail list or other media as you choose.
(Include a credit to the source of this material of course.)

72 de

Ken Newman - N2CQ

N2CQ@ARRL.NET

<http://www.NJQRP.org>

<http://www.N3EPA.org>

<http://www.qsl.net/cqrp/contests.html>

72 de

Ken Newman - N2CQ

== QRP CONTEST CALENDAR ==

Woodbury, NJ

<http://www.njqrp.org/data/contesting.html>

FM29jt

N2CQ@ARRL.NET

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 16:30:59 -0400

From: "Mark J. Dulcey" <mark@buttery.org>

To: Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>,

Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>,

Subject: [106947] Re: Rigs [HF Emergency, somewhat OT]

Message-ID: <3BA11783.6070708@buttery.org>

MIME-Version: 1.0

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Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Mike wrote:

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> On the other hand, relatively small and light-weight 34 amp-hour deep
> discharge batteries are sold everywhere for about \$35 (less than a new
> HT battery pack) and these can be used for short periods of operation
> even where you may need to carry the gear some distance.

If you consider 25 pounds "light-weight", that is! Add the weight of the radio and antenna, and you've got quite a load to carry.

Such a setup would be appropriate for situations where you can carry the field station by car. But it would not be so good if you needed to carry in the equipment on foot. Something in the 20 watt class, plus a more modest battery pack, would be more appropriate. Depending on propagation, it might work better for the foot stations to carry in VHF gear, and have a base station on a high point somewhere nearby to relay.

Bruce Muscolino wrote:

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- > I will not burst any of your bubbles. I have actually worked
- > communications during the Malibu Fire back in 1993. Our club
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Santa Monica is one of those densely populated coastal areas that someone mentioned in another post. (So is Boston, where I live.) There is a lot of communications infrastructure in place already in places like that: cell phone towers, public service agency repeaters, and so on, as well as amateur repeaters; HF just isn't going to have a role there under any likely circumstances. (For instance, somebody mentioned the use of HF to reach the SEC. But one repeater can reach just about everywhere in the EMA section; you're not going to need HF for that.) And amateurs aren't likely

to be placed in charge of Red Cross communications - unless, of course, the Red Cross repeater fails. If that ever should happen, we should be ready.

But there are places a lot more isolated than Santa Monica or Boston - places where none of those cell towers or repeaters exist, or are even within range of any modest station. Those are the places where HF could possibly have a role to play. I still believe that QRP operators, who already are likely to own field-ready equipment and batteries, should think about how they could serve if the time ever came. (People with cars and higher-power radios should think about how to use those as well.) And when there is no emergency, the equipment will also serve nicely for operating events such as this weekend's QRP Afield.

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 21:03:48 -0700
From: mbdb@full-moon.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [106948] Various comments about the events of Tuesday morning.
Message-ID: <3BA181A4.6F42@full-moon.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I don't normally feel inclined to get drawn into these sorts of discussions but I must comment.

The hijackings and terrible events of Tuesday morning are beyond belief. The tremendous loss of life is just awful. Let there be no doubt as to where I stand on this. However, other sentiments have been expressed that are just horrible.

John Harper AE5X wrote:

> Last night while a lot of us were glued to the TV set watching, among other
> footage, the celebrations in Palestinian West Jerusalem, the celebrations
> were being mimicked right here in the USA. South Paterson & Elizebeth, NJ
> have large Arabic populations, some of whom gathered in the streets to
> celebrate yesterday's disaster.
> Disgusting human garbage, aren't they.

This is the most disgusting thing you could possibly say. Yes, dancing on the streets in celebration is pretty bad but it's totally wrong and ethnocentric to stereotype people in this way. The vast majority of Palestinian people and other people in the Arabic speaking world are saddened too by this event and condemn it. Even Hannan Ashrawi came out

and condemned those celebrating on the West Bank. Symbolic as it was, even Yasser Arafat gave blood. Look at all the nations in the Middle East and Asia that came right out and condemned it including the Iranian president. So please don't refer to people of other cultures as "human garbage" You only lower yourself to the level of the perpetrators of this atrocity.

I also thought that amateur radio was supposed to bridge cultures not alienate them, so when I hear comments like this I have to wonder if people like this are really worthy of the hobby.

And to all of those of you clammering for retribution, ask yourselves, do you really want this violence to cycle on for ever. The taking of human life is wrong, period. Remember too the many innocent civilians in Iraq who have died as a result of our country's actions (yes, Sadam Hussien is a despot and tyrant no question). Lets use this awfull event to come together and stimulate world peace not create yet more suffering.

Also I can't believe at a time like this people are worrying about the price of gas and flying flags. We have the cheapest gas in the world by far and waste the most. If you are really concerned about the price of gas going up ask your legislators why cars in this country consume twice as much fuel as in the rest of the world. Instead we should be concerned with the abysmal level of airport security in this country. The two areas that I travel frequently in, namely Europe and Australia, have security check on domestic flights as well as international that put the USA to shame.

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Jerry, W0ZD

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 16:41:03 -0400
From: Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>
To: <lhrousek@nvhbell.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106949] Re: Balanced Line Losses
Message-ID: <20010913204204.KGLI21945.imf11bis.bellsouth.net@[192.168.0.20]>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"

On 9/13/01 7:48 AM, lhrousek at lhrousek@nvhbell.net wrote:

>All this is for matched lines. I'm wondering, and I guess I could figure
>it out
>with some study, but ... if I use 400 ohm 10 gauge ladder line to feed a
>resonant 50 ohm antenna would the loss due to the increased SWR (8:1) exactly
>cancel the impedance advantage compared to using RG8?

According to the ARRL handbook:

at 14 MHz, Window line has a matched loss of .1 dB per 100 feet.
Working the equation, the 8:1 SWR will cause an additional loss of about
.39 dB due to the reflections.
This totals .49 dB loss.

This is still better than any 1/2" flexible coax. (RG-8, RG-213, etc).
It's even better than Belden 9913.

However, a 1/2" hardline will beat it with a loss of only 0.3 dB in the
matched condition.

Bill Coleman, AA4LR, PP-ASEL Mail: aa4lr@arrl.net
Quote: "Not within a thousand years will man ever fly!"
 -- Wilbur Wright, 1901

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 15:49:02 -0500
From: "Rob Matherly" <kc0bom@arrl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106950] Re:
Message-ID: <019501c13c95\$8662cc60\$6e11a541@intern01>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2001 2:53 PM
Subject: Re:

Delbert,

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> Text of an email I received today:

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> Date: Wednesday, September 12, 2001 5:24 PM

> Subject: Flag

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released YESTERDAY by the government. You are only cluttering up this
list with your keyboard! If you have something of value to contribute,
by all means do it. Otherwise, please remember that your list mates are
thinking, breathing human beings!

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 09:57:10 -0700

From: lhlousek <lhlousek@nvhbell.net>

To: Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>,

Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [106951] Re: Balanced Line Losses

Message-ID: <009201c13c75\$233e2500\$650dfea9@nvhbell.net>

MIME-version: 1.0

Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1

Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

Bill Coleman wrote:

<<<at 14 MHz, Window line ...This totals .49 dB loss. This is still better than any 1/2" flexible coax. (RG-8, RG-213, etc). ...than Belden 9913.... a 1/2" hardline will beat it with a loss of only 0.3 dB >>>

Yes but this is sorta apples and oranges. I specifically set up my example question to compare open and coaxial lines with the same size wire. All the above have different wire sizes and their relative performance reflect that.

Lou W7DZN

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 16:58:14 -0700
From: Daryl Cline <wb4yex@yahoo.com>
To: HamRadio_Mountaintopping@yahoogroups.com, qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU,
qrp-1@qth.net
Subject: [106952] AT Va. Tomorrow
Message-ID: <4.3.2.7.0.20010913165533.00af7600@mail.ntelos.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

I will be operating from the Appalachian Trail in the Shenandoah national Park of Va. Tomorrow starting around 1300 eastern time . CW only.
This will be the maiden voyage of my new K1. I will operate on 7.040 & 14.060. Hope to see you there.

Daryl Cline WB4YEX FPQRP # 322 ARS #632 SOC #449
Harrisonburg, Va.
<http://www.cfw.com/~jdc>

" Ask your doctor if Kendrex is right for you - Side effects include constipation, internal bleeding, deafness, blindness, sexual dysfunction and heart failure. Kendrex is not for everyone. Persons with functioning internal organs and live brain cells should not take Kendrex. "

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 16:41:45 -0400
From: "Lee S. Mairs" <lmairs@cox.rr.com>
To: <aa3ur@home.com>,

"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106953] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
Message-ID: <03d701c13c95\$0ee0ed20\$6401a8c0@cox.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

You know it is amazing. After this "Celebrations in Arabic South Paterson, NJ" thread was started, not one of the news networks has picked up on it. The Washington Post missed it too. Seems a little strange...
Who has really seen video of Celebrations in NJ? Lee, KM4YY

A ship is safe in a harbor, but that's not what a ship is for.
--Admiral Grace Hopper

----- Original Message -----

From: "David Porter" <aa3ur@home.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2001 2:07 PM
Subject: Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ

> I am reminded of the Kung Fu series. Often, Kane (AKA Grasshopper) had said
> that the taking of a life does no one honor. This has always resonated with
> me.
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> One episode was about revenge. He was asked by a grieving father something
> like "If I don't have the right to avenge the death of my son, who does?"
> Kane's answer was "No one." Another resonance.
>
> I am struggling to reconcile my feelings of rage and desire for revenge
> about
> September 11, 2001 and the above concepts. However, when there is a US
> response, I will try to keep both of these ideas in mind and try to restrain
> my own desire to celebrate and instead try revere the sacrifices made on
> both sides.
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>
> David Porter AA3UR
> aa3ur@home.com
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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 17:34:33 -0400
From: "Wilford D. Lindsey" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>
To: "INTERNET:eturner@absc.org" <eturner@absc.org>
Cc: ")W.D.(Doc)Lindsey/K0EVZ" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>,
".QRP-L Discussion Group" <QRP-L@Lehigh.edu>,
Subject: [106954] visit
Message-ID: <200109131734_MC3-DFBB-BEB4@compuserve.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Disposition: inline

Emil, =

Please forgive me for not writing back sooner. We have been in Ukraine f= or
two weeks, and have been in a whirl wind ever since. Sure thankful we we= re
not coming back this past Monday-Tuesday. Wow.

Anyway, I understand about your having to miss our DSBF Annual Meeting th= is
year. Let's take a snow check [g] on it and look to next year. BTW,
several of us are planning to be at your annual convention this year, and=
looking forward to hosting you and your wife, at least, for a meal. =

Thanks again, and stay well.

Your brother in Christ,
--Doc Lindsey

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 14:32:53 -0700
From: <schoon@amgt.com>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>, <ad6we@hotmail.com>
Subject: [106955] RE: World Trade Center Stations
Message-ID: <c=US%a=_%p=American_Geotech%l=AG-CALCITE-BD-010913213253Z-3809@ag-basalt-pxy.amgt.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Not amateur related, there were 10 TV stations and 4 FM stations on top.
Not sure how many cell/pager systems were up there.... The 10M repeater
system call is KQ2H, not K2QH as mentioned earlier.

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>From: Delbert Long[SMTP:ad6we@hotmail.com]
>Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2001 9:57 AM
>To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
>Subject: World Trade Center Stations
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>Just wanted to post parts of a few responses that I got from my request for
>info about repeaters on the WTC...
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>>Manhattan 445.175 - nb2a NYPD ARC located on top of the World
>>Trade Center
>
>>New York City Radio Amateur
>Civil Emergency Located at 7 World Trade CTR 23rd floor amateur radio
>station WC20EM
>
>>Had a few good Qs a few days ago through the K2QH 10m repeater that was
>on the WTC according to the ARRL guide.
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>
>Delbert Long, AD6WE
>2111 Cheyenne Way Unit 9
>Fullerton, CA 92833-4912
>Grid Square DM13av
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>Everything should be made as simple as possible, but not simpler. - Albert
>Einstein
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>It ain't over 'till it's over. - Yogi Berra
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>Get your FREE download of MSN Explorer at <http://explorer.msn.com/intl.asp>
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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 16:44:32 -0500
From: "Brice D. Hornback" <bdh@cyberbound.net>
To: <QRPP-I@yahoogroups.com>
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106956] Pixie 2 QRPP Transceiver
Message-ID: <04af01c13c9d\$46721c20\$6e01a8c0@lwrnc1.in.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi. I'm looking for information on the Pixie 2 QRPP transceiver for the QRPP-I Web site. In the documentation it states it has 160 through 10 meter capability. However, it only comes with the inductors for 40 and 80 meters. Does ANYONE know what needs to be done to the Pixie 2 to operate on the other bands? For 40 and 80 meters all you have to do is change the crystal and L3. Is this all that needs done for the other bands? If so, what are the values to be used for L3?

Has anyone used a Pixie 2 on the other bands? Does anyone here even have a Pixie 2? I'd love to hear what people have done to mod them.

Has anyone done the following to a Pixie 2:

- VXO/VFO/PTO
- RIT
- Multi-band Capability
- Digital Frequency Display
- Tick (or Tick style) keyer?
- Side Tone
- SSB/AM capability
- QRPP Power Amplifier
- etc.?

Thanks in advance for any information. I'm looking for examples including circuits, descriptions, and photos of the actual interface and/or mods. Yes, I've done my research and have found a few examples of RIT/VXO and even AM Phone (Talking Pixie) but I'd like offer everything anyone would ever want to know about a Pixie 2 on the Web site.

72 de Brice KA8MAV
QRPP International
<http://www.cyberbound.net/QRPP>

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 18:00:17 -0400 (EDT)
From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>
To: Rob Matherly <kc0bom@arrl.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106957] Re:
Message-ID: <XFMail.20010913180017.w2agn@pobox.com>
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
MIME-Version: 1.0

AMEN! I started to respond to Brucie's ravings, but your response says it quite well.

Thanks,

John W2AGN

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 18:02:20 -0400
From: "Henry Freedenberg" <henryf@quartz.gly.fsu.edu>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>,
kc0bom@arrl.net
Subject: [106958] Re:
Message-ID: <3BA0F4AC.25331.279440@localhost>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

Hey Everybody....Calm done

This group doesn't need Laura redux

On 13 Sep 2001, at 15:49, Rob Matherly wrote:

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> Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2001 2:53 PM

> Subject: Re:

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 18:25:22 -0400

From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: "Mark J. Dulcey" <mark@buttery.org>
Cc: Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>,
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106959] Re: Rigs [HF Emergency, somewhat OT]
Message-ID: <3BA13252.A85DBE82@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

One last comment. Yes there are places in the United States where repeaters are few and far between. So are people! It would seem very unlikely that any disaster that hit the middle of the California desert would need much health and welfare communications!

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 18:27:50 -0400
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: "Fletcher, Michael" <michael.fletcher@attws.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [106960] Re: Rigs
Message-ID: <3BA132E6.3A5E1EEE@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Oh yes, I agree. The Los Angeles sheriffs office had similar equipment as far back as 15 years ago. They also had a very large scale communications unit staffed in part by hams to help in the case of a disaster. I'm not knocking Alaska, it is a great state, but exactly how many people live in the interior that would be affected by a disaster?

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Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 18:30:54 -0400
From: "Richard Brummer, K2JQ" <k2jq@bestweb.net>
To: <ae5x@qsl.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106961] Re: An apology for my last posting
Message-ID: <003f01c13ca3\$c10d61a0\$42685ed1@obvious>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

John,

You have nothing to apologize for.

My wife's sister and brother-in-law live in Cliffside Park, and have seen demonstrations like what you have described. I have seen these things myself, and they are really sad to see in this country.

Dick K2JQ

Date: Thu, 13 Sep 2001 18:35:20 -0400
From: "Richard Brummer, K2JQ" <k2jq@bestweb.net>
To: <lmairs@cox.rr.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [106962] Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ
Message-ID: <004401c13ca4\$5f922180\$42685ed1@obvious>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Network news has MANY more important things to cover than garbage like that
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Just because YOU didn't see it doesn't mean it didn't happen !

Certain ethnic groups demonstrate in that part of NJ for causes much less
volatile than the WTC destruction.

Dick K2JQ

-----Original Message-----

From: Lee S. Mairs <lmairs@cox.rr.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Date: Thursday, September 13, 2001 5:18 PM
Subject: Re: Celebrations in Arabic S. Paterson, NJ

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End of QRP-L Digest 2311
